

His Spoiled Princess

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Summary: What if the Haruno's were royalty? What if some in the clan became shinobi? What if they went under cover and became just you're average run of the mill family and had to keep their royalty secret? The daughter of Head of the Clan Sakura is the princess to the entire Haruno clan legacy and encounters many problems. Non Uchiha Massacre Akatsuki are good guys, Obito is a joint sensei

1. Prologue

"Dear we have to do something it will only be a matter of time before someone comes along to try and kidnap our daughter" Mebuki Haruno whispered heatedly to the man at her side, both had their arms wrapped around each other as they stared at their six month old pink haired daughter.

The mansion they lived in was lavishly decorated but it was those within the walls that made it warm, a family of affection some might say but all in all the Haruno's were royalty in the small village they had settled in long long ago.

Kizashi Haruno locked gazes with his wife before nodding "Give it a couple more years my darling, Sakura deserves to live life as a pampered princess until we leave" he murmured with a chuckle and got cuffed on the back of the head by his angry wife.

"This is no time to joke Kizashi" Mebuki hissed softly so as not to wake the child in the crib "Though perhaps you are right, but we mustn't let her get too spoiled lest she make a nuisance of herself in the future" she raised a blonde brow.

Making a soft sound of agreement in the back of his throat, Kizashi took his wife's hand in his own and tugged her from the room they had given their little princess, "Do you think she'll have the gift of chakra" he wondered as Mebuki closed the door.

Laughing softly as they trailed down the decorated halls of their homes to their own bedroom Mebuki gave her husband a kind smile "That would be wonderful, it's been a long time since a shinobi has been born into the family" she whispered laying her head on the luxurious pillow.

"Yes, it would be a spectacular thing if our daughter were to be one of the chosen" Kizashi breathed curling behind the blonde woman he had fallen in love with what seemed so many years ago, but was really just a few and together the both of them fell asleep.

2. Finding a Guard for the Princess

"Sakura Haruno" Mebuki started in warning at her eight month old daughter, the pinkette had just started learning how to crawl and was prone to disappearing for long amounts of times, though it was always to one place the garden still.

Sakura craned her chubby neck around and peered at her mother before letting out a angry huff, she was most displeased that she wasn't allowed to go to her favorite place in the house, "Oh don't you huff at me young lady now get back here" Mebuki pointed at the place before her.

Doing as her mother bid, on hands and knee's Sakura crawled back over to the blonde woman and was immediately hefted into her arms, "Now once we find you're ridiculous father then you can go see the garden" Mebuki rolled her eyes when the pinkette clapped her hands together and let out a ton of giggles.

She found him practicing with a sword and to her utter amazement Sakura watched with rapt attention, her emerald eyes that mimicked her own lightened considerably before settling back into her arms "We'll make a shinobi out of you yet" Mebuki smiled kindly at her only child.

Sakura giggled again snuggling into the warm arms while her parents chatted and soon enough she was placed on the wooden deck that led to the garden, a guard hanging around but invisible as usual as Sakura stared at the garden in wonderment, all the pretty flowers and everything.

A maid walking by dropped her basket of clothing, she didn't know that Sakura hadn't sneaked off this time "Princess" she snapped drawing the little pinkette from her staring "I can't believe you would sneak off again" the woman grabbed Sakura up and despite the girls squirming toted her inside.

Mebuki looked up from her sewing a new kimono for her daughter and frowned as she saw one of the maids handling her daughter none to gently "Is there a problem" she raised a blonde brow before her eyes widened when that woman set Sakura on her desk a little more roughly than was strictly necessary.

"Yes, I found this naughty princess outside in the gardens again I assume she sneaked off" the woman responded sending the pinkette a scathing glare, Sakura always caused her trouble as she was the one who had to go and find her whenever she crawled off to heaven knows

where.

Setting her needle and thread down, Mebuki scooped her daughter into her arms and stood with a frown on her face, Sakura was abnormally quiet as she could feel her mothers anger in the stiffness in the way in which she held her.

"You assumed incorrectly, I promised Sakura she could sit and look at the gardens to her hearts content, now I expect you to apologize to her for how you just treated her, as she is you're princess" Mebuki lifted a corner of her lip and settled an unimpressed glare in her emerald eyes.

Embarrassed and thoroughly chastised at making such a mistake, the maid hurriedly bowed her upper half so that the ends of her long muddy brown hair touched the ground "I'm very sorry Princess Sakura, Lady Mebuki" she apologized before running off to complete her work.

Hearing the commotion five seconds after it had been settled Kizashi wandered from his office where he had been within completing paperwork and "Everything alright" he questioned light blue eyes taking in the sight of his subdued daughter and the countenance of his angry wife.

Bristling slightly at the nerve of the maid who had on more than one occasion come to complain about her daughter Mebuki set Sakura on the floor gently before moving over to her husband wrapping her arms around his neck and breathing his scent deeply to calm herself down.

"Fine, but if that woman so much as touches my daughter again she is gone" Mebuki snarled feeling all the anger that she had just pushed away come back like a storm, Kizashi winced before rubbing a soothing hand along his wife's back.

Calming considerably, Mebuki finally pulled away before looking to the floor where she had set her daughter only to find her not there, with a long suffering sigh "Would you go see if she's on the deck again" she stressed before sitting in her previously vacated seat and working on her task again.

Kizashi smiled and headed for the doors to look out them, sure enough on the edge of the wooden deck sat Sakura and she was staring at the garden with rapture in her emerald eyes, he wondered why she was so fascinated with flowers but he didn't think even Sakura knew the answer to that question.

"She's out there alright" he chuckled softly before heading back into his office to finish his work, there were a lot of things they had to do before they basically disappeared off the face of the earth and became normal people living in a normal village.

Mebuki sighed in relief before focusing all of her attention on the kimono she was going to gift her daughter on her first birthday, there were after all only four months left until then and she was determined to finish it with her bare hands.

Several minutes later, Kizashi trailed from his office again intent on getting one of his questions answered "What are we to do when she

grows up" he asks simply ignoring the way his wife glowered at him for breaking her concentration.

"The only thing we can do find her a guard" Mebuki grouched fiddling with the needle and finally pulling it through the hole she had designated for the stitches in the kimono, if she didn't finish this now then she never would and Sakura wouldn't have a gift from her on her first birthday.

Blinking slowly in the face of his wife's anger Kizashi stroked his chin considering the idea "But who is good enough for the job, that's my next question" he said once again ignoring his wife's anger as she glared at him for disturbing her once again in the middle of her task.

"Kizashi" Mebuki started off sweetly before narrowing her emerald eyes "If you don't go find something to busy yourself, then you'll find yourself sleeping on the couch tonight and any day I deem it necessary" she ground out sending her husband one last glare.

Realizing that she was upset with him, Kizashi flew from the room and outside, he figured that later on when Mebuki wasn't so busy doing something that was when he would be able to broach the subject again, for now he would spend time with his precocious daughter.

The pinkette's emerald eyes lit up when she spotted him and with a chuckle, Kizashi situated Sakura into his lap comfortably enjoying the warm summer breeze together "My little princess" he murmured into her very pink hair getting a happy babble from the child.

An hour later, Kizashi heard the telltale sign of Sakura's stomach rumbling in hunger, so before the little girl could start complaining and throwing a fit as she was prone to doing, he stood gathering Sakura into his arms and headed for the kitchens where a bowl of smashed potatoes were made.

Mebuki who had also been feeling hungry just then wandered into the kitchen and spotting her husband and daughter sighed in content as the cook whipped them up a meal that she enjoyed with her little family until it was time to head to bed.

Sakura's maid took the pinkette away for her night time bath, the little girl wriggling her fingers at her parents and getting soft laughter in return just before she turned the corner and her parents disappeared out of sight, Sakura knew that she would see them again in just a short time.

Sure enough once she had been dressed in her nightie and settled into her crib, Mebuki and Kizashi appeared in her room and Sakura gurgled happily at them again getting smiles from both of her parents and kisses to the forehead and the nightly tidings.

Mebuki watched the pinkette drift away into a peaceful sleep before she and Kizashi silently crept from Sakura's room and to their own where Kizashi finally brought up the subject he felt was very important "Who is to be her guard" he questioned softly.

Emerald eyes locking with blue, Mebuki frowned "Perhaps we'll travel to the village and pick out someone suitable enough and then when we

move have them meet and become friends so that way Sakura will trust whoever it is we choose" she suggested.

Eyes widening before "You're a genius" he quipped laughing heartily and getting another smack, Kizashi leaned down and pressed a loving kiss to his wife before they both settled beneath the covers and fell into a dreamless sleep.

The next morning the Haruno's packed a few things for their trip and set out into the vast world, Sakura staring at the scenery with curiosity in her emerald eyes, Mebuki smiled "She just enjoys everything doesn't she" she whispered quietly.

"Perhaps it's a sign my dear that she will be a shinobi, or it could be she's just curious about everything" Kizashi supplied, he didn't know quite what to think about his pink haired daughter but hopefully they would be able to find out soon if she had the gift of chakra.

It was a few days of travel before they made it to the nearest village, the Village Hidden in the Leaves, which would ultimately end up being their new home a year or so down the road, the two adults signed in Sakura staring around with wonder in her eyes.

They passed by many people as one of the guards at the gates led them to the Hokage Tower, the trio had to wait for an hour as the Hokage was in a very important meeting and finally they were admitted in, Minato Namikaze sat behind his desk hands clasped before him as he stared at the family.

"So what brings you to my village, Lord and Lady Haruno" he questioned gently when he spotted the tot in her mothers arms, Minato knew all about the Haruno clan and their royal status in the world, he wouldn't piss them off intentionally by scaring their daughter.

Kizashi stepped forward glancing to the side at the silent shinobi before clearing his throat "In a year's time when Sakura turns two we'll be going undercover of sorts, we don't want our daughter to suffer in the case people come after her for her possible abilities" Kizashi started.

"What concerns us the most is that despite our doing our best some have learned of Sakura's birth and will most likely still hunt her when we hide away from the world, essentially we've come here looking for a guard for her to keep her safe when she grows up" he finished waiting patiently.

Along the wall, Fugaku Uchiha had been silently listening to the conversation and seeing as Minato's wife was on such good terms with his own, he cleared his throat and stepped forward "If I may Lord and Lady Haruno suggest a shinobi from my clan as you're daughters personal guard" he cut in smoothly.

Minato cut his eyes to the right at his stoic friend blue eyes narrowing suspiciously, Fugaku never offered anything unless he thought he could get something out of it, his intentions however were hidden well and Minato could only speculate for the time being.

Mebuki glanced between the two men silently before focusing on her husband "Perhaps dear we should accept his offer" she bit her lip sheepishly when Kizashi sent her an incredulous look apparently he wasn't as oblivious as he liked to seem sometimes and had seen the interaction between the two men just as she had.

Hiding his glee well Fugaku bowed his head low before the two royals "If would please follow me this way I will show you to my clan's compound" he opened the door for the two once he had straightened, before he left though "And Mikoto wants Kushina-san over for dinner" Fugaku reminded.

Minato blinked and resisted the urge to slam his head on his desk, he had no idea what the Uchiha Head was thinking but whatever it was couldn't be to good, he could count on one hand the amount of times Fugaku had physically gotten involved in something and that was only for the good of his clan.

Kizashi and Mebuki followed the man down the crowded streets to the other end of the village filled with nothing but dark haired people all wearing the same symbol on their backs "Pardon my lack of manners, my name is Fugaku Uchiha" he introduced himself startling the pinkette.

Her emerald eyes focused on him briefly before her attention shifted to stare at the other people they passed by some stopping to greet the man as they walked to the very back of the compound and into a very large home, though not as large as her own.

Mikoto blinked in surprise as her husband walked through the door inviting a family of three in, she eyed him with some suspicion as he remained polite the entire time "Please make yourselves comfortable" Fugaku gestured at the cushy looking couches.

Sakura's attention however was riveted to the backdoor where she caught a glimpse of some flowers, tugging on her mothers hair, she gestured at the door, Mebuki backed up a few steps and sighed in exasperation "Hang on a minute sweetie" she smiled before focusing on the other woman.

"Would you mind if my daughter sat and looked at you're flowers ma'am" Mebuki bowed her head, Mikoto jumped back in alarm not having expected the people her husband had brought to their home to be so well mannered.

Waving her hands wildly Mikoto hurriedly tried to assure the blonde that it would be fine "It's of no matter to me, my two sons are out back and I'm sure Itachi-kun wouldn't mind watching her" she rushed out and breathed in relief when the blonde relaxed and the pinkette clapped her hands.

Stepping to her husband quickly, Mebuki whispered to Kizashi that Sakura would be outside in the garden so that they could speak without little ears listening to the conversation at hand, it would be difficult to explain if Sakura heard about what they were planning.

Itachi blinked his dark eyes and looked to his mother "Who is she mother" he asked politely when all the pinkette did was focus her complete attention on the flowers in their backyard, Mikoto smiled

sheepishly before shrugging.

"I believe her name is Sakura, watch her for me will you sweetie, she's the daughter of you're fathers guests" Mikoto warned before jumping into the house to make some snacks and tea for the two that Fugaku had brought home with him.

When she was finished, Mikoto sat the tray down before seating herself primly next to her husband listening intently to the conversation, it only took a moment to realize what he was plotting and she sent him an exasperated look that Fugaku ignored.

'Of course it would only be to improve the standing of the Uchiha clan, if that girl were to marry into the clan then we would essentially become royalty' she sighed feeling pity for the girl and who ever her husband decided to thrust her on.

Onyx eyes widening, Mikoto shot a warning look at her husband, he better not be thinking what she thought he was thinking or he was going to be sleeping on the couch for the next several days never mind that he was the head of the house.

This time Fugaku didn't ignore his wife and sent her a puzzled frown, when he figured out what she was thinking his frown deepened "You're daughter can stay here if you'd like with my wife and I'll take you around to the Uchiha and let you choose" he finished his conversation with the Haruno's.

Mebuki and Kizashi shared a quick look before Kizashi cleared his throat "Please, I'm sure Sakura will be happy to gaze at the flowers all day if we let her" he paused to let out a chuckle and got a smile from Mebuki "We would be honored if you took us around Fugaku-san" Kizashi finished.

With that the trio stood from the couch and headed for the door, Mikoto puffed up her cheeks and crossed her arms 'That man' she seethed silently before fixing her face into a more kind expression and headed for the back door to see what the children were doing.

Itachi was playing with Sasuke seemingly forgetting all about the little girl she had tasked him with watching, but Mikoto was smarter than that and she caught the furtive glances he kept throwing the pinkette as her gaze stayed locked onto the flowers she had only planted yesterday.

Apparently, Mikoto thought idly that the pinkette's father wasn't joking about how his daughter would be happy to sit and stare at the flowers all day, since she seemed to be so focused on them, it was a little disconcerting but at least Sakura wasn't causing trouble.

She was just about to turn and head into the kitchen when a black and blue blur streaked into her backyard, Mikoto panicked and raced to the door and threw it open stepping out just in time for her eyes to focus properly on her sons best friend Shisui the other prodigy of the clan.

"Auntie Mikoto" Shisui tilted his head to the side in confusion, he had never seen the woman so ruffled before, a gurgle drew his attention to the adorable little pinkette "Auntie how come you didn't

tell me" he accused heading towards the girl.

Sakura's attention on the flowers was broken the minute a strange boy appeared before her eyes, "Hello there cutie, my names Shisui Uchiha" he introduced himself and got a blink before a giggle escaped from between her lips.

Mikoto slumped her shoulders in relief "She's not mine Shisui-kun, she's the daughter of the guests of Fugaku's" she patted the boy on the head "I trust that you'll watch her along with Itachi-kun, as Sakura-san is of very important standing" Mikoto warned heading back in to make dinner.

Shisui swiveled his eyes to the pinkette and eyed her warily, he couldn't believe this girl was of royalty but looking over her very flashy attire it was entirely plausible, his attention shifted when she reached for him and pinched his cheek with her chubby hands.

"What is it cutie" he cocked his head to the side when she started jabbering and waving her chubby arms about her person, Shisui realized what she wanted a moment later as she jerked her hands at the flowers and he quickly moved out of her way blinking when she stared at the flowers intently showing no signs of paying him another moment of her attention.

Itachi wandered over to his friend Sasuke cradled in his arms "Yeah, she's been like that for an hour, you're the first person she's payed attention to since mother set her outside" he said, he understood how his friend felt, it hurt to be ignored especially by a little girl.

"Is she really a princess" Shisui asked and got a shrug "I guess you wouldn't know either" he sighed and ran a hand through his black hair before flopping down on the ground "Man that last mission was draining" Shisui complained to Itachi suddenly.

A chuckle was his reply and Shisui pouted getting a little giggle from the pinkette as she focused her attention on him again, "Oh did you find that funny little cutie" he smiled from ear to ear and got another giggle, content Shisui leaned back and locked gazes with the little girl.

It was then that two adults he had never met before dressed in expensive clothes came through the back door "Can't believe we couldn't find anyone after all" the blonde woman was complaining softly but Shisui's ears still picked up on the conversation as the man responded.

"I know dear perhaps Lord Hokage has a better solution and we'll find a guard for Sakura" the man stated bending to scoop the pinkette into his arms, at his reply Shisui jumped to his feet and cleared his throat to gain the man's attention.

Itachi tossed a confused look at his friend wondering what Shisui was doing, Kizashi however looked at the little boy before him and then to his daughter as she reached for the boy "If you were looking for a guard, I wouldn't mind watching over her" Shisui scuffed his shoe leaning forward to let the girl pinch his cheeks again.

Pausing at the little boy's offer as Fugaku came out of the house, Kizashi focused on the Uchiha. "How strong is this child?" he questioned, gesturing at Shisui. Fugaku looked and his eyes widened imperceptibly before clearing his throat.

"Alongside my own son Itachi, Shisui is hailed as one of the top in the clan, he graduated at age seven and is a jonin already at his extremely young age. I can assure you that the princess would be in good hands if Shisui were to be her guard," he sang Shisui's praises.

Mebuki and Kizashi shared one last look. "And you Shisui, are you sure that this is what you want to become a guard to our daughter and watch over her including sacrificing your life in the case something happens?" Kizashi inquired.

At that Shisui straightened his spine and looked the older male dead in the eyes, in the most serious voice he could muster. "Yes sir, the princess won't find a better guard, I'll protect her with my life," he bowed low, not quite understanding the vow he had made but soon he would.

And then it would be far too late, with the assurances, Mebuki and Kizashi gathered their things and left the Leaf Village behind until it was time to return and headed home to their mansion, both were glad they had found someone to protect their daughter.

3. The Guard Visits His Princess

Three months later, Shisui along with Itachi, Sasuke, Fugaku and Mikoto came to visit the Haruno's at their mansion, to say Kizashi was surprised was an understatement as he hadn't expected to see any of them until they returned to the Leaf Village.

Fugaku however hadn't wanted to wait and had practically demanded two months off from Minato, "We come bearing gifts for the princess on her birthday next month," he started by way of explanation, flashing the scrolls that held expensive presents for Sakura at the Haruno.

Kizashi blinked before moving aside. "Please come in, it's an honor to have the Uchiha head and his family in my home," he gestured them in and a maid shut the door before the guard moved back into place to ensure that no one would attempt to break in while everyone was busy.

Mebuki looked up from where she was trying to get her reluctant child to eat her vegetables and nearly dropped the spoon upon spotting the five Uchiha's. "Welcome," she nodded politely before wiggling the spoon before Sakura's face again. "Come now, you stubborn child," Mebuki scolded when the pinkette refused.

Shisui saw this and slunk forward. "If I may, Lady Haruno," he held out his hand and was passed the spoon. Sakura's eyes lit up in remembrance and the minute she opened her mouth to gurgle out her greeting, Shisui stuffed the spoon filled with peas gently in her mouth.

Kizashi's chuckles filled the air when Sakura chewed the food slowly.

before opening her mouth for more, with a sigh Mebuki handed over the container of pea's to Shisui and let him feed the little girl who would become his charge in the future.

"Is he always like that" she whispered at Mikoto and got a nod from the raven haired woman in return, Shisui was extremely well behaved there wasn't much she could say about the boy except that he was an exceptional shinobi and a wonderful person to know.

Shisui grinned feeling accomplished as Sakura devoured nearly the entire container of pea's before she began to snub the food again as she became full, "Aw who's a cutie" he cooed at her tickling her chin and getting peels of laughter from the pinkette.

Unbidden a smirk worked its way onto his lips and Fugaku nodded in satisfaction, if things went his way then the Haruno Princess would be married into his clan in no time and elevate their status to royalty, he would always honor the clan above all after all.

Itachi shot a surreptitious look at his father and reeled back in shock upon seeing such an open expression on the man's face, Fugaku hardly ever looked like that and now he was sporting that smirk for all to see and it was directed at, he followed his father's line of sight and became further shocked Shisui.

Itachi wasn't the only one and Mikoto none to gently dug her elbow into her husband's ribs and shot him a scowl, the smirk fading, Fugaku cleared his throat, no man wanted to get in trouble with his wife and he was no different, Mikoto was very creative when it came to punishments.

All of this was missed by the two Haruno's, Sakura didn't count since she was currently being entertained by Shisui and Mikoto only thank her gods that they hadn't gotten suspicious yet, though when they got home she was definitely going to be giving her husband a stern talking to.

"Would you like to take her to the gardens Shisui-san" Kizashi asked gently drawing the boy's attention from Sakura who sulked and waved her arms wildly in hopes to garner Shisui's attention back onto her self, she was a princess after all and she deserved to be treated as one.

Shisui slid his eyes to the right keeping most of his focus on Sakura wiggling his fingers at her to let her know he was still paying her attention "Yes Lord Haruno I believe the princess would enjoy it" he smiled knowingly remembering the pinkette's love of flowers.

With that Mebuki took Sakura out of her high chair and settled her on the floor where she immediately started crawling off, Shisui followed her and soon the two were gone out the side door that led to her gardens the one Sakura enjoyed so very much and none of them knew why.

Two of the children missing now, Mikoto leveled her husband a look and opened her mouth before he could stop her "Itachi-kun, why don't you take your brother and stick with Shisui and Princess Sakura" she ordered in a tone that brooked no objections.

Taking his brother in arms, Itachi scampered from the room and out

the same door he had seen Shisui disappear through with the pinkette, there was no way he was going to stick around when his mother was in that kind of mood.

Fugaku shot his wife a look and took a couple of wary steps away from her, Mikoto was pissed and he had some suspicions it was his fault, he couldn't help the way he was but sometimes he did go a little overboard with his plans especially this one.

Shisui looked up from his book and started snickering at the frazzled looking Itachi "Let me guess Uncle Fugaku is in some trouble with Auntie Mikoto" he quipped and got a shaky nod from the boy as he set Sasuke down on the wooden deck.

"Father has been most troublesome lately, it's a wonder Mother hasn't done anything yet, she probably won't until we get home" Itachi creased his forehead and his onyx eyes strayed to the door half expecting the woman to come storming through it and punish him for talking about her behind her back.

The entire conversation between the two boys was missed by Sakura who was watching the flowers sway back and forth in the breeze and by Sasuke who had crawled some distance away from his big brother until Itachi realized and dragged him back towards him.

"Shisui why did you offer to become her guard anyway" Itachi asked the one question that had been bugging him since three months ago when he had first met the little princess to the entire Haruno Clan, Shisui looked up again before shooting his onyx eyes to the right at Sakura.

A snort then "I think she's absolutely adorable, who knows what kind of trouble the princess might get in if someone who isn't capable is guarding her" Shisui responded smartly before immersing himself once again in his book until Sakura reached out with her chubby hand and pinched his cheek.

"Yes Princess" he asked not looking up only to get another pinch, Shisui sighed and settled his book to the side leaving it open and focused all of his attention on the pinkette, at that Sakura gave him a toothy smile and went back to looking at the flowers.

Itachi shook his head, his friend was an idiot, and decided to play a game with Sasuke, it was the least he could do while they were stuck here having to watch over the little pinkette that was a princess and was Shisui's charge despite how weird it all sounded to him.

Shisui looked skyward and sighed inwardly before picking up his book to continue reading, Sakura was a strange child but he didn't think it would be too difficult to watch over her especially if all she did was stare at the flowers all the time.

Though somehow he didn't think it would be that simple especially when Sakura began growing and became older, then Shisui thought that he would have some trouble because of the angst that came with being a teenager and he was certain that Sakura would have a lot of it.

A few hours later when it was nearing lunch time, Shisui stowed his book away in his pouch and glanced around feeling eyes on him, that's when he spotted them the five guard hidden out of sight and keeping

all their focus on the quartet of children.

Then a soft rumble met his ears and Shisui looked to the side and found Sakura looking unhappy, her face twisted in anger so he did the only he could do and that was scoop the little girl into his arms and charge into the house "Uh Lady Haruno, Princess is hungry" Shisui explained lamely.

Suddenly Itachi carrying Sasuke came barreling into the house, chest heaving with exertion and pinned his onyx eyes on Shisui, the older boy smiled sheepishly as Mebuki took Sakura into her arms and headed for the kitchen only stopping when she realized none of the children were following her.

"Are you coming" she questioned raising a blonde brow at the three boys, Shisui was the first to react to her words and sped towards her politely, Itachi on the other hand stood dumbfounded for another moment then silently trailed after her into the kitchen.

Folding himself neatly into a chair, Shisui waited for Sakura to be finished eating before eating quickly so as not to keep her waiting "Alright Princess" he smiled taking her into his arms again and heading again for the gardens that kept her occupied for the rest of the afternoon.

This went on for a month until Sakura's first birthday rolled around, Fugaku unsealed the gifts he had brought, which consisted of a kimono decorated in flowers for when she was older, a hair comb in the shape of a cherry blossom and an extremely expensive necklace from his own vault in the village.

When Mikoto saw it, she shot a sharp look at her husband and glowered at him, he was so going to get it when they got home and that was final, no matter how much he complained about getting kicked out of their rooms, Fugaku was going to be in the dog house for a good long while.

Kizashi thanked them politely for the gifts, though he felt they were a little over the top and soon the five Uchiha's were on their way home, Shisui paused when Sakura reached for him and knowing what she wanted leaned forward.

With a happy smile, Sakura pinched one of her favorite persons cheeks and wiggled her fingers at him as he left with his family, once they were gone she yawned tiredly face scrunching up, before she could really begin complaining Kizashi placed her in her bed and tucked her in, Sakura quickly fell asleep.

Back in the Leaf Village, Mikoto jerked herself from her husbands arms and pinned angry onyx eyes on him, Fugaku's face drained of all color as his wife stomped into their house a snicker escaped from Shisui before the boy spend off to avoid getting in trouble and Itachi remained silent.

Inside the house, Mikoto whirled on her husband "What the devil are you thinking Fugaku, it's bad enough that you're plotting something" she raged, Itachi took Sasuke and fled from the house claiming that he was going to find Shisui and stay with him for awhile.

Fugaku grimaced before opening his mouth to defend his actions "I am

only thinking about the future of the Uchiha clan with that girl as part of this clan we can rise to..." he was cut off when Mikoto glowered at him angrily.

"Dear husband of mine consider yourself sleeping on the couch for the next several days and if you so much as even think about sneaking into our rooms, I'll fry you're ass with a fire ball" Mikoto said simply having had enough of her husband for the time being and headed for their bedroom.

Jaw dropping in horror, Fugaku made to go after his wife, but Mikoto was quicker she spun on her heel and jabbed an angry finger in his face before hissing "Don't even Fugaku, I'll make good on my threat" she warned before continuing on her way.

With a sigh of resignation, Fugaku flopped on the couch and put an arm over his tired eyes, he was so tired that he missed dinner and Itachi sneaking back into the house to go to bed, for three days he lay there on the couch until Mikoto finally relented and allowed him back into their rooms.

Though she had a few things to tell him "I don't condone your actions of using the Haruno's daughter, but I also see where you're coming from, if they catch on to you're little plot Fugaku then you are on you're own" she huffed before snuggling into him as they went to sleep that night.

The next morning things returned to a semblance of normalcy until Itachi spoke up at the breakfast table "Father why do girls have babies when it hurts them" he inquired innocently, Fugaku's eyes went wide so wide the whites were showing before grimacing.

Mikoto however covered her mouth with the back of her hand, trying oh so very hard not to laugh at her now extremely pale looking husband, her amusement proved to much and she broke down in giggles and Itachi just sat there looking between his parents in extreme confusion.

4. Princess's Big Move

A whole year passes after that and finally the Haruno's pack up and abandon their home dropping off the face of the earth erasing all traces of themselves and head to the Hidden Leaf Village, where a small house had been set aside for them.

The other members of the clan would scatter to the winds much like flower petals and soon no one would remember the true legacy of the mighty Haruno clan and their special bloodline limit that very few possess in fact no one in the clan held the ability.

Mebuki sighed and glanced back at her home of many years, then to her sleeping two year old daughter, ultimately all of this was to protect Sakura and no one would stand in the way of a woman trying to erase all threat to their child.

"Don't worry dear soon Sakura will be safe and we won't have to worry Shisui will protect her" Kizashi rubbed his hand along his wife's back as they headed out into the world, the sun was just cresting over the mountain bathing the lands in a yellow light.

Feeling the sun on her face, Sakura stirred in her mothers arms and opened her emerald eyes to take in the scenery with the pure untainted eyes a child could only possess before "Mama pretty" she smiled wide showing off her teeth.

Features losing their sharpness, Mebuki sent a loving smile at her only daughter and brought her to her chest hugging her tightly and warmly "Yes, it is" she lifted her head to the sky before focusing her own emerald eyes on the distance, the distance that would become their new future.

Chuckles filled the air and Sakura's attention shifted from the scenery to her father "Love Papa" she murmured cuddling back into her mothers arms "Love Mama" Sakura grinned craning her neck around to peer into equally green eyes.

Kizashi's lips quirked up in amusement, they sure had an interesting daughter, at least for the most part she grew up slowly like other children and didn't learn things any quicker, they had both feared that Sakura would be a prodigy but that wasn't the case, instead the pinkette spent most of her time staring at of all things kami forsaken flowers.

He shuddered then and Mebuki sent him a knowing smile, Sakura missed the interaction between her parents as her attention was once again riveted to the scenery, she couldn't help it, the landscape was just so pretty and she loved watching it all the time.

Mebuki shifted her eyes down to her pink haired daughter, that hair of hers was going to get her in trouble someday but there was nothing she or Kizashi could do except prepare Sakura for the problems ahead of her and there were sure to be plenty of them.

"Ah there you are, I was just coming to visit Lord and Lady Haruno and hello Princess" Shisui body flickered before them and Kizashi nearly drew his weapon on the boy, he seemed to realize that his appearance had been unexpected and he hurriedly bowed low before them in apology.

Sakura clapped her hands and reached for the boy she adored "Sui-kun" she butchered his name but Shisui didn't mind, instead he encouraged it whole heartedly, Mebuki relaxed and Kizashi pulled his hand away from the hidden weapon on his arm.

Shisui leaned forward and got a cheek pinch from the pinkette it was something she always did and that was something he would encourage as well "The manor was empty so I feared for the worst" he told the pinkette's parents but kept his eyes on Sakura so she would know he was still paying her attention.

"Be more careful next time that's the only warning you'll get from me" Kizashi rumbled letting out a sigh of relief, for one tiny millisecond of a moment he had feared someone had come to steal his daughter, he would have died before anyone touched Sakura.

Regret clear in his onyx eyes, Shisui bowed his head low keeping his eyes locked with Sakura's "Forgive me, I was just worried for you're safety and the princess's" he apologized full heartedly, it wouldn't do to have the parents of his charge angry with him for an

accident.

Mebuki yawned behind her hand and rolled her shoulders, Shisui popped back up upon seeing this and before anyone could speak "I'll carry the princess if you'd like Lady Haruno, it looks like you could use some rest from carrying her" he offered.

Smiling gratefully at the boy, Sakura was quickly transferred to Shisui's arms and together the four of them continued walking in the direction of the Leaf Village, for the entirety of the three days, Shisui carried Sakura never once complaining about the two year old being heavy.

Instead he spent his time chattering away to the pinkette and pointing out things as they passed by them keeping her entire attention on the scenery before them, both Mebuki and Kizashi were deeply impressed with the boy and knew Sakura was in better hands than either of them had imagined.

When the quartet arrived in Minato's office, even he was surprised to see Shisui with them as the boy had only asked six days ago for a two week vacation to go visit Sakura, but he cleared his throat and stood "You're home has been prepared and all traces of your presence here will be erased" he stated.

"Thank you Lord Minato, we would do anything to protect our precious daughter" Mebuki threw the sleeping pinkette a fond smile, it was the early morning hours after all and Sakura hardly woke early on good days, though bad days she was up at the crack of dawn screaming her head off.

Minato cast a furtive glance in the pinkette's direction and smiled fondly "She's much like my own son, he rarely wakes early" he chuckled softly determined not to wake her in case she became fussy, then his blue eyes trailed up to meet with onyx.

Shisui hadn't set Sakura down once since her mother had handed her to him, and he wasn't about to now not until he knew they were safe and sound within their new home, then a thought came to him and Shisui's face twisted into a frown.

Kizashi saw this and wondered what had the boy so disturbed "Lord and Lady Haruno, if I may set up some traps around your home to make it more safe for the princess" Shisui spoke up as they trailed from the office following after Minato who was leading them personally to the house he had given them.

Blue eyes snapping back to lock with onyx Kizashi had to applaud Shisui for thinking ahead "Please do, it would give me and my wife some extra relief, to know that Sakura is protected even while in her home" he said calmly and got a nod from Shisui.

"Thank you, I admit it would put me at greater ease to know that there were protective traps set up around you're home" Shisui added in a moment later before falling silent, if he kept talking he risked waking Sakura and he wasn't willing to deal with a cranky princess right now.

Mebuki craned her neck around to peer at Shisui, he really went above and beyond to make sure Sakura was safe everywhere she went, she

remembered a couple months ago when he had been by and he had caught that one maid who liked to piss her off scolding Sakura for just sitting there on the deck.

Shisui had jumped right in without skipping a beat and sent the woman crying from the manor, when she had asked why he had done such a thing, his exact words were "Princess wasn't doing anything, but she however had not so good intentions" and that was the end of that conversation.

Mebuki snorted softly and rolled her green eyes upwards, whenever Shisui was around they hardly ever had need to worry because he always took care of Sakura no matter if it was the smallest of things, he was there by her side.

She had a feeling though that someday down the road Shisui was going to fall in love with her daughter and Sakura in love with him, when that day came, she had no idea what she was going to do or how she would handle it but that was a long ways off.

Kizashi caught his wife glancing back at their daughter several times and bit his cheek to stop himself from smiling, he could take a wild guess and say he knew exactly where Mebuki's current thoughts were because he was thinking the same thing only his thoughts were most likely a little different.

He thought perhaps that maybe it wouldn't be so bad if Sakura ended up falling for her guard at least that way she would be protected long after she married, but Kizashi wasn't willing to tell that to his wife at least not yet, not when Sakura was still a toddler, maybe several years later then he would but not now.

Suddenly his attention was captured by a man wearing an eye patch over one of his eyes appearing in front of Shisui and started chattering away loudly, it was inevitable as Sakura sat up with a ear piercing shriek to begin crying.

Obito blinked before scratching the back of his head in confusion "Hey cousin who's pinky" he asked and getting a glare in return, he had no idea what he had done, Shisui heaved a long suffering sigh and turned the pinkette around in his arms.

When Sakura spotted one of her favorite people, she instantly reached forward and pinched his cheek "Sui-kun m'ning" she mumbled burying her face in his neck and sniffing softly as her tears abated, Shisui chuckled warmly drawing a giggle from her as well.

"Good morning Princess did you sleep well" Shisui smiled brightly as Sakura pulled away from his neck and nodded her head eagerly, at the affirmation he sighed in relief before settling his eyes on his much older cousin and sent Obito a little scowl for causing him trouble.

Face settled in a mask of anger, Mebuki charged forward and prepared to deck the man in the back of the head for scaring the daylights out of her daughter, Kizashi intervened "I want to see how Shisui handles the situation" he said simply before shifting his eyes to rest on the trio.

"Okay what did I do this time cousin" Obito sighed, he hadn't the

foggiest why the little boy was angry with him, and unless Shisui started talking then there was no way he could go about fixing whatever it was he had done.

Shisui rolled his onyx eyes dragging another giggled from the pinkette "Hang on a minute princess so I can deal with my dorky cousin" he smiled getting more laughter "And you woke the princess, that wasn't very nice Obito and you better apologize" Shisui smiled a dangerous smile.

Obito leaned back before glancing at the little girl in his younger cousins arms and then back to Shisui "Very sorry" he murmured cheeks going red when the pinkette let out peels of laughter, it kind of stung to be laughed at by a little girl.

Seeing as that was the best he was going to get, Shisui moved around his dorky cousin "Sorry about the hold up Lord and Lady Haruno, Lord Hokage" he apologized bowing his head as low as he could without jostling Sakura to much.

Kizashi waved the apology off and Mebuki turned around that little spat had just further reinforced her beliefs that Shisui was going to end up falling in love with her daughter and so with a long suffering sigh the five of them continued on their way to a small home in the center of town.

It had a backyard that was filled with flowers, the minute Sakura saw them her attention was captured just as it always was "Sui-kun flower" she jerked her stubby arms as they settled in the backyard so that her parents could scope out the house alone.

"Yes princess pretty flowers for the pretty princess" Shisui smiled down at his young charge as she toddled forward on wobbly legs to get a closer look at the new flowers, these were ones she had never seen before so her fascination was to be expected.

He realized belatedly that he was going to have to limit his use of calling Sakura princess lest others find out about her true background, Shisui sighed softly and the pinkette turned worried emerald eyes on him, she just had this feeling he was upset about something.

"Sui-kun" Sakura toddled forward and fell forward as her legs failed her, Shisui was quick to his feet and caught her just before she hit the ground, she flashed him a smile filled with wonder and reached up to pinch his cheek as she always had.

Realizing that Sakura was trying to cheer him up, Shisui set the pinkette on her feet properly before sitting down, she didn't hesitate and crawled into his lap wrapping her little arms around his neck and squeezing as tightly as she could but not too tightly because she didn't want to hurt him.

"Spoiled" Shisui teased and got a toothy smile in return for his troubles, despite their wishes, Sakura had gotten extremely spoiled but the pinkette was also very humble and most often times would disregard her status and act as a commoner would, it bugged the hell out of her parents but they didn't say anything for fear of making her cry.

Her job done, Sakura removed herself from Shisui's arms and went back to watching the flowers, a few minutes later, Mebuki and Kizashi trailed from the house into the backyard of their new home "Alright Shisui-san if you would mind setting up the protective traps" Kizashi called.

Shisui turned around taking his eyes from Sakura for but a moment and nodded then he went right back to gluing his eyes to the pinkette before she even realized he had taken his taken off of her for even a second, then Shisui stood and gathered Sakura into his arms.

"I'll be right back princess" he murmured when she let out a cry of dismay and began reaching for him, Shisui smiled apologetically before heading in and working quickly it only took him twenty minutes to set up every single trap he could think off for added protection and head back to Sakura.

When she saw him, Sakura harrumphed, she was most displeased that Shisui had left her side "She's been huffing up a storm" Mebuki eyed her daughter with mirth in her green eyes, Shisui winced before moving forward to receive what Sakura had deemed as his punishment.

A sharp pinch to his cheek welting it easily, "I'm very sorry Princess that I didn't hurry" Shisui apologized taking the pinkette into his arms one last time before he head home for the night, he would be back around the next morning since Sakura lived in the same village.

Satisfied that Shisui had learned his lesson this time around, Sakura wrapped her chubby arms around his neck and squeezed him in a hug, she was quickly handed off to her mother and Shisui gave her one last wave and disappeared out the gate.

Later that night in the Uchiha compound, "So who was that little girl and don't give me that crap about how she's a real princess, she didn't look like one" Obito was drilling his little cousin, they lived in the same house after all since the both of them didn't have parents any longer.

Grumbling and shoving his plate away no longer feeling hungry and feeling much like his charge, Shisui glanced up into the lone onyx eye of his older cousin, the one that drove everyone up the damn wall in the Uchiha compound.

"I assure you cousin that Sakura is a real princess, the reason she doesn't look like one is because her whole family has gone undercover to integrate themselves in an average lifestyle all to protect Princess" Shisui ground out from between his clenched teeth, he was usually more happy go lucky but dealing with this particular cousin always left him feeling more than a little angry about everything.

Obito blinked and dropped the subject all the together, even he had the sense to stop pestering his little cousin, though he did have one last question "What were you doing with her in the first place, did aunt Mikoto arrange a marriage between you or something" he snorted derisively.

Eye twitching in agitation as his irritation level went through the

proverbial roof, Shisui pinched the bridge of his nose and breathed evenly to calm himself down "I am Princess Sakura's personal guard, it's my job to protect her as she grows into a child, teenager, adult and so on" he stated.

It was then after his little speech that Shisui jumped from his chair and fled from the dining room up the three flights of stairs to his room, slamming the door shut for effect so that Obito would know to leave him alone, Shisui flopped down onto his bed and fell into a dreamless sleep the moment his head touched his single pillow.

5. New Friends for Princess

The next morning Shisui showed up at exactly nine o'clock on the dot and knocked on the Haruno household door, it was swiftly opened by Kizashi who had somewhat expected him to show up so early and invited him into their home.

Before Shisui went to see Sakura, so as to avoid her crab apple attitude, he checked all the traps he had set up making sure none of them had been set off during the night and found them in perfect condition which meant no one had figured the Haruno's identity yet.

With a sigh of relief, the raven haired boy wandered into the kitchen "Sui-kun" Sakura squealed when she spotted him and like usual reached out her chubby hands knocking the spoon her mother had been using to feed her to the floor.

Mebuki blew a puff of air and bent to scoop the spoon into her hand "Kizashi be a dear and clean that up will you while I clean this spoon" she ordered moving out of Shisui's way so that he could greet Sakura and she could pinch his cheek.

Shisui smiled widely as his eyes clashed with hers "Is she finished Lady Haruno" he questioned without looking away, Mebuki shook her head in amusement, she was glad Shisui was the one protecting her daughter and no other.

"Not quite, if you don't mind finishing up" Mebuki offered the container of scrambled eggs and the just washed spoon to Shisui when he held out his hand silently and began feeding Sakura the remainder of her breakfast.

Kizashi watched all this with his over the top of his newspaper "So we'll be busy trying to find jobs to better fit in with the village, so do you mind taking her to the park" he questioned offhandedly and Shisui finally looked at him.

"Of course not Lord Haruno, and I promise to make sure prin...Sakura is returned to you in perfect condition" Shisui forced himself to call the pinkette by her name, he couldn't keep calling her princess otherwise people would start to get suspicious.

Blue and green clashed as they realized Shisui was a lot smarter than the average child, they then remembered that Fugaku had told them that the boy was a jonin which meant he had to be a lot smarter otherwise he wouldn't be a high ranking ninja already.

When Sakura started making sounds of discontent, Shisui's eyes snapped onto her wriggling form and she settled down "Sorry Sakura-chan" he tossed both Haruno's a sheepish look and got a nod of acceptance to the new way in which he called her.

Hearing her name slip from Shisui's lips, Sakura squealed loudly splitting his eardrums though he felt like they were going to start bleeding because of the loud volume, Shisui smiled and plucked Sakura from her high chair swinging her around gently so she didn't get dizzy.

Once outside, instead of taking Sakura to the park, Shisui made a beeline for the forest, and to the secret flower field he and Itachi frequented to get away from the burdens of shinobi life when they both felt it was too much for them to handle.

He figured Sakura would appreciate it much more than going to some silly little park filled with other kids, but Shisui also would take the pinkette there as well so that she might possibly make some friends her own age, hanging onto him alone just wasn't good for anyone's health.

Emerald eyes lighting up in childish awe, Sakura clapped her hands when she saw all the pretty flowers "Sui-kun pretty flower, pretty flower" she repeated over and over as they walked to a barren spot in the middle of the field and sat down.

Chuckling softly, "Yes Sakura-chan the flowers are very pretty and guess who's even prettier" he leaned his head around her tiny form so that they were eye to eye "You are" Shisui finished and Sakura dissolved into giggles that rang out through the entire field.

The two spent some time in the field just watching all the flowers until finally Sakura grew bored "Okay Sakura-chan we are going to the park" Shisui hefted the pinkette into his arms and trailed back the way he had come and into the center of town to the playground that was filled with other children.

Like usual Minato's wife Kushina and their two year old son Naruto were there, the red head pushing the blonde in the swing, Shisui half expected when he sat Sakura down for the pinkette to go running towards the adorable little boy, but oh no she took a right to the creepiest looking boys at the park.

Shibi Aburame's little boy Shino and his older cousin Torune were huddled around a single beetle trying to ward off anyone or any other child that might want to step on it, they were from a bug user clan after all and couldn't stand it when bugs were killed for the enjoyment of simply killing it.

So it was with some trepidation that Shisui watched his charge head full speed towards the two and then hurriedly make his way towards Sakura as she tripped over her wobbly feet and burst into a round of tears right before the two boy's eyes.

Torune glanced to the older kid then to the younger "Hello" he greeted calmly when Shino hid his face behind his high collared jacket so that only the rim of his sunglasses could be seen, his lips twitched upwards but he didn't laugh Shino was bad enough as it was.

"Aburame-san" Shisui greeted plucking Sakura from the ground and dusting her light blue yukata off and searching for any injuries thankfully she was without "Sakura-chan you're okay see" he smiled and received a gentle cheek pinch in thanks.

Growing curious just slightly Shino lifted his head to see a little better and came face to face with a pink haired emerald eyed little girl just before she wrapped her arms around his tiny body, he squeaked in fear and shot a look at his cousin who looked just as stunned as he.

"Sorry Sakura-chan's a bit different" Shisui said watching the two younger children carefully in case Sakura started crying again, but thankfully it appeared the Aburame heir had grown use to the pinkette's hug and was even somewhat enjoying it if the look of content on his face was anything to go by.

After several long minutes had ticked by, Sakura finally released Shino from her abrupt hug and wiggled her fingers at him in greeting, Shino's cheeks turned a dark red and he hid behind his jacket collar again not sure what to think about the little girl that stood before him.

Satisfied now, Sakura latched onto Shisui again "Sui-kun swing" she jerked her hand at the swings finally spotting the blonde face lighting up like a thousand suns and without waiting for her guard once again took off forgetting all about her previous incident with tripping.

Kushina gave a jerk in surprise as the Haruno princess tripped and landed face first in the wood chips that littered the area around the swings and let out a wail, Naruto by extension began crying and he hopped from his swing to latch on to the pinkette.

Tears slowing to a stop and finding herself in no pain, Sakura looked into sky blue eyes and her face lit up as she realized it was the boy she had been coming to see, Shisui skidded to a halt at her side just as she sat up and wrapped her arms around the blonde boy.

"Mine" she stated becoming much like the spoiled princess she was, Kushina blinked her violet eyes before frowning in concern, she glanced to Shisui and found him heaving a sigh so apparently this was normal for the pinkette to randomly declare people as her's.

Naruto peered around with wide blue eyes, he had no idea what was going on "Mama" he said reaching for the red head, the pinkette instantly released him and Kushina scooped him into her arms, glad that the Haruno princess had let him go.

Shisui chuckled silently before picking Sakura up from the ground for the second time in the span of five minutes "Okay Sakura-chan, what would you like to do now" he lightly ruffled her pink hair and she looked around noticing that the park looked a little empty now.

Her eyes alighted on the form of Shino and she pointed, Shisui sighed and pulled her into his arms "Sui-kun tired" Sakura giggled innocently, she knew that sometimes she ran the poor boy ragged but she couldn't help it.

Torune tensed just as Shino did as that little pink haired girl and the Uchiha wandered back over towards them, thankfully though the pinkette seemed to have calmed down enough where Shino became a little more curious peeking his head over his jacket collar to peer at her silently.

Sakura blinked her large emerald eyes before they wandered to the ground and she spotted the bug, so being careful not to scare it away, she flopped down belly first and scooped the insect into her hand "Cool" Sakura murmured one of the words she had heard Shisui use before.

This drew Shino out of his shell as he realized the little girl liked bugs just as he did, so he knelt down and sent Sakura a small smile just a corner of his lip lifting but it was all the pinkette needed to know that she was at least considered alright in his books.

"Yeah cool" Shino breathed in wonder shifting his gaze onto the tiny bug and watching it crawl around on Sakura's hand and the girl giggling softly as it tickled her flesh with it's pointy legs, by her side Shisui flopped onto the ground and leaned back pulling out a book.

Torune raised his brows eyeing the two children before doing the same "So who exactly is she Uchiha-san" he whispered maintaining a careful distance away from the boy, he didn't want anyone to get poisoned by his special insects after all.

Shisui's eyes met his "Sakura Haruno, I'm watching her" he said simply not elaborating, there was no need to tell everyone he met that the pinkette was actually a princess undercover, it would blow her identity and then he would be facing down her angry parents.

"Yes, but why are you watching her surely her parents can do that" Torune pointed out bluntly and got a weird look from the girl herself, though her attention was drawn back to the tiny bug in her hand and ultimately Shino as he started naming off different types of bugs for the pinkette.

Glancing up from his book again, Shisui sighed tiredly "Sakura-chan is special, Uncle Fugaku ordered me to watch her and I'm just going to leave it at that" he stated before immersing himself in his book before a slight pinch came to his leg and his eyes lifted to meet with emerald.

"Yes prin...Sakura-chan" Shisui asked gently pulling the girl into his arms when she gestured for him to do so, it only took him but a moment to realize what she wanted as every hair raised on the back of his neck upon feeling that tiny little bug crawling on his bare skin.

Carefully so as not to freak out though his face was twisted in obvious discomfort and Sakura was giggling at him as she had known this would happen, Shisui twisted his arm around his back and grasped the little bug gently before placing it in Sakura's hand and shooing her from his lap.

"Spoiled brat" he huffed when Sakura wiggled her fingers at him and turned back to Shino with a mischievous smile on her lips, Shisui

leaned back fully until he was laying flat on his back on the ground, ten minutes later he lifted his arm and Sakura cuddled into his side with a sweet sigh.

A moment later her breathing evened out and Shisui chuckled, carefully so as not to wake her, he sat up and scooped the sleeping toddler into his arms "Well we'll probably see you again Aburame-san, and Aburame-san" Shisui smiled and in a flash using the body flicker technique was gone.

He arrived in the center of town before Sakura's new home and climbed the steps to the door, feeling no one within, Shisui unlocked the door himself and moved down the halls to Sakura's designated bedroom and settled her beneath the covers.

Once he was certain the pinkette would sleep for a good long while, Shisui went to lock the front door and then headed back to Sakura's bedroom making sure all the traps were set, then he pulled up a comfy looking chair and settled into it drifting off into sleep himself.

Shisui was awoken a couple hours later by Kizashi leaning over him and lightly shaking his shoulder, Sakura was still asleep "I'll take my leave then" Shisui bowed his head politely then running his hand through Sakura's pink long body flickered home to get some more rest.

6. Driving Someone Mad Princess Style

Ten months later when it was nearing Sakura's third birthday, Mebuki and Kizashi found their calling as merchants, traveling merchants that was and thus began a new regimen, they called Shisui over on the morning of their first official day.

"We are just beside ourselves, on one hand we want to take Sakura-chan with us but we know the dangers it presents, we also know we can't expect you to be there for her every day, and then on the other hand we can't just shove her off on some random person" Kizashi shared his fears with the boy.

Shisui listened to all of this carefully before opening his mouth "If you would like Lord and Lady Haruno, I can watch her for the two weeks you are gone every month, it's not that difficult and my aunt Mikoto is very good with children I'm sure princess will like her" he explained.

To further his point "There is also Lady Kushina and I know young Naruto has taken a liking to Sakura-chan as well" Shisui tossed in there after his initial statement, Kizashi and Mebuki shared a look with each other having a silent conversation before Kizashi turned back to Shisui.

"Well then Mebuki will gather Sakura's things and she'll go to stay with you where ever you live in that compound for two weeks, please for our sanity though send messages as often as you can" he smiled sheepishly, he was Sakura's father so it was only natural he worry as much as he did.

The Uchiha boy smiled then "I promise Lord and Lady Haruno that

Sakura-chan will be protected within the walls of my home, I won't let a single person touch her" Shisui vowed with a ferocity that somewhat scared Kizashi and enlightened Mebuki.

Sakura who had been asleep in Shisui's arms woke up then and stretched her little arms high in the air with a yawn, when her hand connected with warm skin, she craned her neck around and her face split in half by a huge smile before "Sui-kun" Sakura squealed pinching his cheek.

Lips curving upwards into a smile, Shisui glanced down to meet with emerald "Good Morning Princess" he greeted cheerfully, here in her home was the only place he called her that anymore, not that she minded as him saying her real name brought much more happiness to her than anyone thought possible.

Chuckles filled air just as rumbles from Sakura's stomach indicating she was hungry, before Kizashi could snatch his daughter from Shisui's arms, he stood and settled the pinkette in her high chair then sheepishly trailed over to the fridge to make Sakura breakfast and feed it to her as he was so use to doing.

Mebuki who had come back from gathering some things for Sakura while she and Kizashi were gone blinked before laughing warmly, each day Shisui did things that made her heart grow warm, it was only thanks to that boy that Sakura was mostly as happy as she was.

His happy go lucky mood rubbed off on all of them, though some people remained immune to the effects they didn't and it proved that they were a family of affection, if it were possible they would give Sakura a little sibling, but Mebuki thought sadly that her ovaries were damaged in Sakura's birth.

Whipping up scrambled eggs super quick for the fussing toddler, Shisui grabbed a spoon from the drawer he knew them to be in and headed for his little princess, she was his because he had been watching her for a few years now.

"Here you go princess" Shisui presented the spoon filled with scrambled eggs before Sakura's face and she quickly devoured them, Sakura loved eggs it was plain and simple, sure she ate meat from time to time with her eggs but mostly it was just the scrambled eggs by themselves.

Watching all of this Kizashi and Mebuki gravitated towards each other and wrapped their arms around their other half "What do you think Kizashi, should we speak with" Mebuki trailed off glancing furtively at Shisui before lowering her voice and whispering in her husbands ear the rest of her sentence.

"Fugaku-san and have him arrange a marriage between the two, I just have this feeling in the pit of my stomach that they will come to love each other" Mebuki bit her lip as she finished before pulling away to catch a glimpse of her husbands face.

Kizashi carefully hid his emotions behind a stoic mask as he eyed his daughter and the Uchiha boy with an analytic stare before finally he turned his head to meet the green of his wife's eyes "No, I think we should just let whatever develop, develop on it's own" he said calmly.

Seeing the indignant expression rising on Mebuki's face, Kizashi tugged his wife out into the hall casting one last look at the two children "We weren't in an arranged marriage either Mebuki, besides I'd rather not have Shisui grow to resent us if he were to learn of such a thing" he murmured.

Realizing that she was thinking way to far down the road, a charming flush rose to her cheeks and Kizashi kissed her lips "I'm sorry my dear, I just want the best for our daughter" Mebuki wrapped her arms around her husbands neck and deeply inhaled his scent to calm herself down.

It wouldn't do anyone any good if she were to lose control over her inner self and have it rampage down the streets smashing all that got in her way, Mebuki shuddered before pulling away "Now lets get in there and lave our daughter will all the love she deserves" she grinned skipping back into the kitchen.

Kizashi sighed and followed his happy wife over to their daughter who had long since finished her scrambled eggs and was being once again entertained by Shisui, not that he had to do much except for stand and stare at her, it was weird but it brought Sakura so much happiness.

"We love you our precious little princess" Mebuki cooed scooping the pinkette into her arms and squeezing Sakura to her bosom, the little girl squealed in joy at the movements and clutched onto her mothers shirt.

"Now you be a good girl for Shisui-san and when we come back you'll get an extra special reward" Mebuki talked soothingly to her daughter in a kind tone, Sakura didn't understand any of it, she was just happy to be in her mothers warm loving arms.

Next Kizashi plucked Sakura from Mebuki and she sent him a scowl that had Shisui covering his mouth to stop any and all laughter from coming out "Yes, I love you my sweet little cherry blossom" he rubbed his nose against Sakura's narrowing his blue eyes in fondness for his daughter.

All to soon though Sakura was transferred over to Shisui along with a scroll filled with Sakura's belongings and the two Haruno's left to start their venture and build a new wealth for themselves as average people trying to get by in the world.

Both gone now, Shisui sighed "Okay princess it's time for you to meet my dorky cousin again" he said with a grimace Sakura clapped her hands in merriment putting a goofy smile on his lips as they walked through the Haruno house shutting off lights and locking windows and doors.

As they headed from the house, Sakura began chanting two words that Shisui knew by heart "Mine, bug, mine, bug, mine, bug" she said over and over until the boy turned down the streets heading in the opposite direction of the Uchiha compound and to the house that held one of the people Sakura wanted to see.

Kushina answered her door with a smile on her face, but when she looked down it became awkward, there on the other side of her door

was that pink haired girl that had claimed her son as an object "Mine" Sakura reached for her.

"She's talking about Naruto-san, Sakura-chan doesn't mean any harm and I doubt the term is as possessive as it sounds" Shisui cleared his throat awkwardly as he explained to the Hokage's wife what his charge mostly meant.

Face melting into an understanding smile now, Kushina plucked Sakura from Shisui's arms and once again the little girl squealed in joy "Aw you're such a little cutie aren't you" Kushina tickled Sakura's belly getting peels of laughter.

Shisui grinned, though he was prepared just in case, because he knew the minute Sakura was finished visiting with Naruto it would be off to the Aburame compound to visit little Shino "How is it you understand her" Kushina questioned beckoning him in to her home.

"Ah that would be because I've been around her a long time, ever since she was only nine months old" Shisui exclaimed proudly, he was closest to the princess other than her parents and that thought brought him immense satisfaction.

Kushina blinked her violet eyes before a small smile pulled her lips upwards, children were just so cute and the minute she could convince Minato she was going to have another one, her attention was drawn to the pinkette in her arms as she let out a squeal upon seeing her son.

"Mine" Sakura grinned garnering the blondes attention, he dropped his blocks and struggled to his feet to waddle over to them and clasp his mothers leg "Mine" Sakura repeated reaching downwards and finally Kushina set her on the floor.

The reaction was instantaneous, Sakura latched onto Naruto and his blue eyes flew up to meet those of his mothers violet, Kushina however stood back a little ways so that the two children could better acquaint themselves with each other.

Kushina covered her mouth with her hand as her son looked around in extreme confusion, he had no idea what was going on or why a little girl was literally glued to his side, though it made for the most adorable sight she had ever seen.

Shisui full on grinned, he hadn't thought Sakura remembered the boy at all since she had never once mentioned wanting to go see Naruto or Shino until today but still it was quite cute to watch Sakura giggle and jabber away as only a two year old soon to be three year old could with Naruto.

Soon enough when Sakura got finished with her babbling conversation she began chanting again "Bug, bug, bug, bug, bug" she said forcefully as she released Naruto from her hold and the blonde scampered over to his mother, Shisui scooped her into his arms.

"See you around Lady Kushina, Naruto-san" he flashed them a smile and was out the door before Kushina could offer him a cup of tea or even a cookie to take when the pinkette began to get hungry, she looked down into her sons blue eyes and found a happiness in them that hadn't been there before.

Shisui raced through the streets, Sakura still chanting the word that was going to drive everyone up the walls at the compound, especially his older cousin Obito, and headed for a straight path to the Aburame compound, hoping to the kami that Shino was there.

Some of the Aburame's littering the grounds watched as black, blue and pink blur raced passed them, soon enough though that blur backtracked as one of the members was Shino's father "Ah pardon the intrusion Lord Aburame" Shisui cleared his throat sheepishly.

Sakura was still chanting "Bug, bug, bug, bug, bug, bug, bug, bug" the word was getting drawn out longer and becoming extremely annoying to some of the Aburame's but Shisui just kept smiling even as Sakura began waving her hands to punctuate her next set of words.

"But is Shino-san around, I'm afraid Sakura-chan won't stop until she see's him" Shisui calmly inquired not reacting to the angry hand waving of his charge, Shibi narrowed his brown eyes behind his sunglasses before pointing to the forest.

Eyes wide, Shisui let out an exasperated sigh "Thank you Lord Aburame" he flashed the older male a smile and like before became a black, blue and pink blur as he raced forward into the forest in hopes to find Shino so that Sakura would stop chanting like a crazy person.

Ten minutes in, Shisui nearly sped passed Shino and his cousin Torune "Thank kami I found you" he panted and set Sakura down where she got to her wobbly legs and toddled over to Shino and like she had before wrapped her little arms around his tiny body and squeezed.

Shino gave a start in surprise and his own brown eyes hidden behind his black sunglasses widened as he came face to face with the little pinkette that had tripped and then hugged him all those months ago, he hadn't seen her until now but he had never forgotten her either.

Torune smoothly clamped a hand over his mouth and snorted quietly, Shino sulked and pouted enough as it was and he definitely didn't need to add to the little boys long list of antisocial problems, it wasn't their fault most people got creeped out because they used bugs.

"Bug" Sakura squealed happily squeezing the boy to her small frame tightly, "Cool" she whispered finally pulling away to look around at her surroundings, before they had been going fast but now that she had a chance to see properly her emerald eyes lit up in wonderment.

Seeing this Torune careful not to touch the little girl leaned forward "Yeah it's pretty amazing isn't it, would you like to see a cool trick" he asked and got a nod from Shisui as Sakura's attention was riveted to him from the moment he began speaking.

"Bug, bug, bug" Sakura chanted clapping her hands and plopping down on her little butt right there in the dirt, Shisui snorted in laughter just as Torune had a moment ago only this brought more laughter from Sakura as she joined in as she was so prone to doing.

Shino faced his cousin with a pout but that pout was soon wiped from his lips as the pinkette on the ground grabbed his hand and dragged him to her level, he shot the girl a quick look but quieted down as Torune became using one of their clans jutsu's to bring bugs from all over.

Shisui spotted the curiosity and sat back to enjoy the show, it wasn't often Sakura found something other than flowers or the scenery to enjoy so he figured he could relax for a bit, 'Or not' his mind supplied as she struggled to her feet and toddled over to him.

"Sui-kun home now" Sakura demanded her princess attitude coming to the fore as it usually did when she was tired, her head tilted to the side and she stared at Shisui in puzzlement when he shook his head but gathered her into his arms anyway.

"Not this time Sakura-chan, you get to come stay with me for a couple of weeks" he stated and got a screech of happiness from the young girl in his arms, to know that she was happy about the arrangement was enough to bring another smile to Shisui's face.

"See you around Aburame-san, Shino-san" he waved and like that body flickered from the forest not wanting to waste time or bother anyone else as he raced from the forest and across their grounds again, soon enough the both of them made it to the Uchiha Compound gates and were let through.

On the other side was Itachi getting ready for a mission with his genin team, when he spotted his best friend and the pinkette he sighed running a hand through his bangs, it was ridiculous, Shisui shouldn't have to babysit the girl all the time but he did and that left very little time for Shisui to hang out with him.

Shisui walked confidently through the streets of his compound some of the elders coming out to greet him and cooing over the little pinkette in his arms "Yes, she is adorable isn't she" he would say to some while others "I'm watching her for her parents" Shisui smiled.

Soon enough they made it to his own home in the compound, the one he shared with Obito, Shisui wanted to groan, before they headed in he adjusted his grip on the little princess and confidently opened the door, Obito raised a brow only to wince as Sakura screeched at him.

Apparently she remembered him from the time he had woken her up with loud noises "Hey it's okay kid, I'm leaving for a mission anyway" Obito held up his hands and grabbed his pack, with that he was out the still open door, Shisui shut it behind him with a snicker.

His cousin was going to be in for one rude awakening when he came back and realized Sakura was staying with them for two whole weeks, Shisui looked down into emerald eyes just as a rumble filled the air "Guess it's time to feed you huh princess" he whispered poking her tummy gently.

A giggle escaped from her as they walked into the kitchen and Shisui unsealed the high chair to make her lunch, it only took ten minutes

for him to make some eggs and sausage this time and begin to feed it to her, Sakura ate almost everything before getting full.

Shisui smiled and cleaned the dishes he had used before pulling Sakura from her high chair, her eyes were drooping in tiredness as he wiped her mouth clean with a wash rag and headed up the three flights of stairs to his room.

By the time he was finished tucking Sakura in her eyes had closed and she was emitting soft snores signaling she had fallen asleep, this suited Shisui just fine as he made sure his room was protected and then he went about setting up Sakura's things for her two week stay.

Several hours later, the door swung open and Obito came through covered in mud and soaked through to the bone since it had started raining, this was all done so quietly he thought that Shisui had gone to bed early, his guess was entirely wrong as he entered the kitchen to get something to eat.

And got a now empty bowl thrown at his head, Obito swiveled his eyes around and met glaring emerald then to mirth filled onyx that matched his own "Uh Shisui what is she still doing here" his eye twitched as Sakura harrumphed at him and her glare deepened.

Amusement laced thickly in his voice, Shisui informed Obito gleefully "Well cousin, Sakura-chan is staying here for two weeks with us while her parents are out on the road" he grinned before grabbing Sakura from her chair and hightailing it up the stairs, he would come back down in a moment.

Face twitching, Obito sulked and pulled open the fridge only to cringe upon seeing several containers filled with nothing but vegetables, the fridge was slammed shut and a snicker escaped from the reappeared Shisui "Yeah, Sakura-chan only eats vegetables" he informed his cousin again.

"Where's all the ramen" Obito pouted childishly and Shisui pointed at a cabinet before picking up the bowl and spoon Sakura had thrown and heading to the sink to wash the dishes he had used to feed Sakura her dinner with.

"Goodnight cousin" Shisui announced happily and got a flinch in reply, it was going to be so much fun screwing with his cousin and there was nothing Obito could do about it, he headed back up the stairs and found Sakura pouting at him.

"Sorry Princess, I had to go deal with my cousin" Shisui said rubbing her forehead, then together the two of them fell asleep, for the next two weeks, he and Sakura drove Obito mad so much they hardly saw him until it was dinnertime.

His reasoning was that no matter how much he thought Kakashi was a bastard it was still better to hang out with his teammate than be driven insane by a two year old girl and his little cousin who had so graciously offered to let the pinkette stay with them.

So when Mebuki and Kizashi returned, Shisui was already waiting outside their house Sakura sleeping in his arms as it was the early mornings, but what was most surprising was Obito who was happy to see

her go back to her parents for a good long while.

Little did Obito know was that in the middle of each month for two weeks, Sakura would be staying with them, Shisui wasn't going to point that out and as he and Obito headed home his thoughts turned mischievous, it was going to be so much fun.

7. Birthday and Fun for Princess

Two months later, Sakura's third birthday rolled around, the Uchiha's went as usual bearing expensive gifts as usual that Mebuki and Kizashi were starting to get suspicious over but not really minding, Sakura looked around her crowded living and didn't spot the two people she wanted there.

Shisui spotted the disgruntled expression on his charges face and frowned looking around to see what she saw, or didn't see as was the case "Hang on Princess" Shisui smiled when Sakura opened her mouth to wail or chant or both at the same time.

Kizashi watched Shisui body flicker from the their home and wondered what had happened usually Shisui didn't leave Sakura's side at all, the pinkette looked extremely upset and then Kizashi had to wonder about that as well.

Shisui headed first to the Aburame Compound "Excuse me Lord Aburame, but is Shino-san available it's Sakura-chan's birthday and unless I'm mistaken I believe she wants him there" he explained to the Head of the Aburame Clan sweating nervously under his probing dark brown orbs.

Shibi sighed and called for a maid to gather his son leaving the Uchiha strict instructions to return him the minute the party was over, and a bug case that had a single bug in it for the pinkette that was one of his son's very limited friends.

With a reassuring smile, Shisui gathered Shino awkwardly into his arms and body flickered from the compound and to the near vicinity of the Hokage's home, both Minato who was taking a short break for lunch and Kushina heard the knock, but it was Minato who opened the door.

"Ah young Shisui-san and Shino-san" Minato creased his forehead in confusion when all the little Aburame boy did was stare at him, he turned his blue eyes onto the Uchiha "What brings you here to my home" he inquired.

Again Shisui cleared his throat awkwardly "Sakura-chan wants Naruto-san at her birthday, she was most upset when she didn't see Shino-san or Naruto-san" he explained sheepishly hoping that the Hokage didn't get at him.

Minato blinked before chuckling "Sure, let me just get Naruto and a gift for the little lady" he moved further into his home leaving Shisui standing on the landing, a moment later Minato returned carrying his own toddler and a small flower, he had heard of Sakura's love of flowers after all.

"Thank you Lord Hokage" Shisui bowed his head as low as he could

while holding onto two nearly three year old toddlers, and then taking the flower, he body flickered back to the Haruno house where upon seeing him and his two extra guests, Sakura let out an ear piercing shriek of joy.

A smile worked it's way onto Mebuki's lips as she watched the three toddlers together, "So that must have been why Sakura was so upset and why Shisui left" she spoke to Kizashi in a whisper and he nodded his own smile upon his face as he watched his daughter enjoy her big day.

No matter what, Sakura was and would always be royalty but she would also become a shinobi as they had both found out she had chakra reserves, in three year's time they would enroll Sakura into the academy where she would grow up in the ninja world completely.

"Okay everyone it's time for dinner" Mebuki stepped away from her husband cupping her hands around her mouth to gather everyone's attention before leading everyone to her backyard where the food was set up like a buffet.

Before Kizashi could even think about picking his daughter up, Sakura was in Shisui's arms, right along Shino while Naruto was clutched onto his back, and together the four of them went outside Shisui being ever so careful with his precious cargo.

Once everyone had eaten, Fugaku stood and unsealed the scroll he had sealed Sakura's gift in "For Princess Sakura I present this kunai made by one of my clan's weapon makers, it will protect her further in case Shisui-san isn't able to get to her in time" he presented the smooth black kunai.

On it was a jutsu formula that would allow Sakura to be transported to a safe haven that had been built for her just by pushing chakra into the kunai, it would go around her neck much like a necklace and wasn't to be used for anything but jewelry unless it was absolutely necessary to use.

Impressed by the Uchiha Patriarch's foresight, Kizashi took the kunai in hand and relished in the feel of it, it wasn't sharp like a regular kunai so it wouldn't hurt Sakura any when she came of age to be able to wear it upon her neck as it was meant to be worn.

He passed it over to Mebuki who ran a critical eye over it before nodding in seeming acceptance "Thank you Fugaku-san for a wonderful gift for our daughter, I'm sure there will come a day where Sakura has to use it but until then all we can do is thank you for thinking ahead" she spoke evenly.

Mikoto was next "I made this with my hands for Sakura-san" she smiled kindly and pulled out the dress, it was gorgeous and covered in flowers of all shapes, sizes and colors, unlike the kunai this drew Sakura's attention and she smiled brightly upon seeing it.

Mebuki shot a look at her daughter and shook her head in amusement of course her daughter was captivated by the dress and not the kunai, with a grimace she realized that maybe it hadn't been such a good idea to lavish Sakura with all those girly things but it was much to late now.

Next, Shisui presented Sakura with the two gifts that he had been given to give her by Naruto's and Shino's fathers "Here Sakura-chan" he smiled widely when she stared in awe at the tiny bug in the plastic container it was in.

Then her attention was riveted to the single flower and she clasped it in her hands gently running a finger down the petals "Sui-kun" Sakura giggled happily reaching up to pinch his cheek in thanks, his onyx eyes lightened glad he had been able to make her so happy.

Soon though it was time for both Naruto and Shino to go home and with assurances he'd be back to Sakura, Shisui gathered the two toddlers into his arms and raced from the Haruno home dropping each off with their parents and then raced back to Sakura's so she wasn't left waiting for to terribly long.

Her emerald eyes focused on him and she got to her feet waddling over to him "Sui-kun love" she murmured the sentiment she gave her parents every morning, Shisui's cheeks flushed beat red and he got a pat on the back from Kizashi.

"She's saying love you as in family" he explained through the chuckles before moving around the backyard to pick up the trash that had been left over and any extra food so that it could be stored in the fridge to be eaten later on during the day.

After his enlightening conversation, Shisui cleared his throat and willed his flush to go away, when his cheeks were back at their normal pale white color he bent and rubbed his nose against Sakura's "I love you to Sakura-chan" he returned her sentiment.

He felt weird saying such girly things, but deep in the pit of his stomach Shisui knew that somehow when he said it, it meant something much different than how Sakura meant it and he knew then that someday down the road he would end up falling for the pretty little princess he was charged with guarding over.

A week later, Shisui packed Sakura's things for their daily two week drive Obito mad session, this time he followed after Sakura's parents as they headed for the gates so that Sakura could wave them off as she wanted, she didn't need to say the words for him to just know.

Once they were gone, his onyx eyes traveled down to meet mischievous emerald "Ready Princess" he whispered with a chuckle, and as eagerly as she could Sakura nodded rapidly long pink hair flying about until it was messed up from the movements.

Obito dropped his fork as he heard that kami awful giggle "Obi-kun" came next, hurriedly stuffing his mouth with the rest of his food, his plate was cleared soon but Obito wasn't fast enough as the pink haired terror came around the corner and spotted him.

Sakura charged forward an impish smile on her lips and wrapped her arms around Obito's legs so that he couldn't escape like she had caught him in the act of doing, Shisui followed and his face twisted in amusement upon seeing his obviously disturbed cousin staring down at Sakura panic in his lone eye.

Seeing his younger cousin, Obito's glared but all that did was

increase Shisui's mirth until he was leaning heavily against the wall holding his stomach fighting down the chuckles at his predicament "Shisui this is not funny" Obito whined like a child causing Shisui to laugh all the more harder.

"Oh yes it is cousin, all those years of driving everyone crazy, is being returned to you tenfold by Sakura-chan" Shisui snickered out completely enjoying the situation playing out before his eyes, what made it all the more fun was that Obito couldn't upset the pinkette or he would bring the wrath of Fugaku down upon his head.

Lips turning down in a pout, Obito groaned, he knew he had been annoying but still had he really been that bad to have a little pink haired girl torment him every month for two damn weeks, it was ridiculous and not any fun at all to be picked on especially by a little girl.

Just then Sakura chose to speak up "Obi-kun" she tilted her head to the side smiling innocently, Obito had no choice but to flick his eyes down to her lest he get pinched again, those pudgy little fingers twisting his skin painfully frightened Obito more than anything Shisui could do to him.

"Yes" Obito swallowed back his reluctance to talk to the pink haired terror, Sakura smiled widely at him and finally though he hid his sigh of relief removed her arms from around his legs and scampered back to Shisui, Obito chose this moment to disappear from the house.

Kakashi looked up from his book when his teammate came speeding onto the training field, Minato had decided to bring them all together for a day of practice, the blonde thought they were getting rusty but with how much Obito had been seeking him out lately, Minato was sure to get a shock.

Rin narrowed her brown eyes in concern "Obito-kun is everything alright" she asked in her soft voice drawing the Uchiha's attention onto herself, he was pouting she realized belatedly and she had to struggle not to burst out laughing.

"No, nothing is alright, that damn little pink haired terror" Obito started complaining, Kakashi having heard this rant several times over the last year simply turned a page in his book and continued reading, they had all met up earlier than Minato had stated so they would be waiting awhile.

Blinking her brown eyes "Who's got pink hair, aw can I meet her Obito-kun" Rin squealed and Obito sent her an betrayed and hurt look that only increased her mirth, her brown eyes sparkled as Obito proceeded whine and stomp his foot all while ranting and raving about a pink haired terror.

That's how Minato found his team, Kakashi leaning against a tree ignoring his two teammates and reading, while Rin fought down giggles and Obito he was waving his arms about his person wildly ranting madly about something or another.

Blue eyes gazing around the training field, Minato frowned when none of his team noticed he was there, it was like they were all in their own little worlds "What happened to my cute little genin team" he

joked and that sprung them into action.

Kakashi shoved his book away, Rin shoved all of her mirth aside and Obito stopped ranting as they all spun to face their blonde haired blue eyed sensei "Ah Minato-sensei" Rin came forward like a good little chunin should and bowed low.

Obito crossed his arms as his thoughts soured again, he knew that earlier had only been the beginning of his two week torment session "Is something wrong Obito" Minato caught the pout on the boys face, that little question opened the floodgate it seemed.

"Yeah something is wrong that little pink haired terror is trying to terrorize me, I can't even sleep in my house for fear of her coming and pinching me in my sleep and Shisui would just watch her with that creepy smile" he rambled before slapping a hand over his mouth.

Biting the inside of his cheek as he realized just what the problem was with Obito, Minato swallowed thickly trying not to laugh "Well let's put aside our personal problems and get to training" he said against the rising urge to break out in chuckles, Minato knew it would only cause the teen to agonize over it even more if he did.

Across town back at the Uchiha compound, "Do you want to go visit Ita-kun" Shisui asked bending down to lift Sakura into his arms when she asked, Sakura paused before nodding rapidly sending her hair flying about again.

Mikoto looked up when her front door opened "Hello Aunt Mikoto" Shisui greeted, then her onyx eyes strayed down to see the Haruno princess situated comfortably in his arms, she smiled and got a wide toothy one in return.

"Hello Shisui-kun, Princess, Itachi-kun and Sasuke-kun are out back" she pointed at the door, she giggled when she heard the squeal that came from Sakura when she spotted all of her new flowers, ones she had just planted not even two days ago.

Itachi glanced up from his scroll and his eyes went wide upon seeing his best friend, then he deflated when he spotted who else was with Shisui "Must you bring her all the time" he asked feeling a little upset that he couldn't have a single moment of his friends time to himself.

Shisui grimaced and sat Sakura on the edge of the stone steps so that she could toddle off and watch the flowers as usual, the backyard was secured and childproof so he didn't worry "Sorry Itachi, her parents are out on their two week sales run" he shrugged in apology.

Sighing, Itachi felt bad "Sorry Shisui, it sucks that she takes up all you're time nowadays" he apologized to his friend before turning back to Sasuke when the little boy tugged on his black shirt, then Itachi realized that maybe this was how Shisui felt.

Shisui watched the understanding fly across Itachi's face and then glance up and look him in the eyes, the two boys shared a silent conversation before Itachi turned away to pay attention to Sasuke and

he to Sakura when she pinched him lightly on the leg.

"Sui-kun pretty" Sakura smiled running a finger across a single flower it was her favorite by far, it was a dark purple tulip and there was only one of them planted, Shisui followed her eyes to the flower before filling with that warmth she was so use to "Sui-kun love" she murmured climbing into his arms.

"Yes princess I love you to" Shisui returned the pinkette's sentiment cradling her to his chest as her eyes closed and she took a nap right there in his lap, Itachi sat down carefully next to him a puzzled look on his face.

"Why would you say something like that" was asked a moment later, though it was in a gentle voice to avoid waking the two children that were currently napping, Itachi saw Shisui smile fondly at the little girl before looking to him.

"Well it's something she says to her parents as well, more of a family love than for the other reason, she started saying that today" Shisui rubbed the back of his head sneakily so as not to jostle Sakura and wake her up, no one wanted to deal with a fussy princess after all.

Itachi blinked his onyx eyes rapidly before leaning back, something he just didn't understand and this was one of them, the other he was never going to get an answer to because whenever he asked his mother broke down in giggles and his father went pale before disappearing from the room.

"Hey Shisui, why do girls have babies when all it does is cause them pain" Itachi sat up again carefully at that and focused his gaze on Shisui, who suddenly went just as pale as his father usually did and swivel his eyes to meet his.

With a grimace, Shisui stood "That's not something I can answer" he hurriedly said making his way for the door, there was no way he was going to stick around when Itachi was asking questions that the adults should answer for him.

Itachi frowned deeply as he watched his friend escape from his presence, he knew it was because the question he had asked, but really what was the big deal, all he wanted was a simple answer was that to much to ask apparently it was.

Twenty minutes after Shisui arrived in her home, Mikoto spotted the boy hurriedly making his way to her front door again and guessed aptly "Itachi asked the question didn't he" she called out and Shisui froze and looked at her guiltily.

"Oh don't worry about it Shisui-kun" Mikoto lowered the heat on her stove and took off her apron to pull the boy into a hug being mindful of the sleeping pinkette "It's kind of a difficult question to answer, but it does bring quite a lot of amusement to the dinner table" she snorted softly.

Onyx eyes widening as he realized that he wasn't the only one who had gotten that particular question, Shisui bit his lip and fought down the chuckles "Itachi-kun is clueless sometimes" he smiled kindly before adjusting his grip on Sakura and heading through the door back

down the streets to his home.

Obito looked up when he heard the door opening, he had just gotten back from his sensei's training session from hell and curious as they were both Kakashi and Rin had followed him, they were about to meet the little pink haired terror Sakura.

Rin nearly squealed when she spotted the tiny pinkette but she clamped her jaws shut when she saw that the toddler was sleeping "Aw she's so cute, what's her name" that didn't stop Rin however from asking questions firing them off rapidly and staring at the boy carrying Sakura.

Shisui blinked and turned his attention on the teenage girl, then back to Sakura and then back to the older girl again before grimacing, that's what he had to look forward to when his charge grew up and became a teenager, he didn't think he could handle it.

"Ah it's Sakura Haruno, don't mind me I'm just going to put her up in my room so she's not awoken accidentally" Shisui bowed his head politely before flying up the steps to his room and placing Sakura in the crib he had bought with his pay so the one as Sakura's home didn't have to be moved every two weeks.

Kakashi's onyx eye trailed to meet his teammates before he shook his head "You said she was a terror, even I will admit she's quite cute" he chuckled and got an offended look from Obito who scoffed at his assessment of Sakura.

"Trust me when she's awake you'll get to see her true self" Obito grumbled and stuffed his face full of ramen, he had to find it whenever she came here because Shisui moved all of his food out of the fridge for Sakura's vegetables, seriously why would someone want to eat nothing but vegetables.

Apparently he had asked that question aloud and Shisui who wanted to mess with his cousin a bit whispered in his ear "Because Cousin, Sakura-chan is a healthy growing child, she needs the nutrients the veggies give her plus she loves them" he snickered when Obito gave a jerk in surprise and sent him a hardened onyx glare.

"See that's what I'm talking about that pink haired terror and Shisui is always gaining up on me" Obito whined throwing his hands in the air fed up with his cousin at the moment and stomped from the kitchen to cool off in his bedroom.

Rin blinked before snorting "No wonder he's been ranting and raving all day" she quipped dryly in amusement, she really did try not to laugh but it was just so hard and soon her giggles filled the kitchen and she was joined by Kakashi who chuckled and the still snickering Shisui.

"Sakura-chan doesn't do anything to him per say, the first time she met him was when she first moved here and she remembered him waking her up, that was the first time she came to stay here" Shisui got out between his snickers, but he wasn't done not by a long shot.

"She threw her bowl and spoon at him narrowing missing his head, and after that she's just pinched him a couple of times, I don't know why Obito get's so worked up but it's hilarious to see him escape every

time she comes around" he finished before leaning against the wall as he was overcome with more snickers.

Rin slapped a hand over her mouth and her eyes trailed to the doorway of the kitchen before letting loose, instead of giggles she was laughing like a hyena, "Oh my god poor Obito-kun" her breath hitched as tears of laughter trailed down her cheeks, it was just so hard to stop laughing.

Even Kakashi was laughing, though he was doing it silently Shisui picked up on the subtle signs of the teens shoulders shaking with the force of his laughs, by the time Obito returned everyone had stopped laughing and Shisui fled up the stairs when he heard the call of Sakura.

"Hello Princess" Shisui plucked her from the bed and swung her around gently so she didn't get dizzy "Want to meet some new people" he asked though he was already headed for the stairs, Sakura tilted her head to the side before nodding slowly.

Worried somewhat, Shisui frowned, usually Sakura was more eager about her responses, "Sui-kun not feel good" she cried just as he came to the stop at the bottom of the long flights of stairs, he stared at her in horror before pressing his hand to her forehead.

Shisui pulled his hand away "No, I don't suppose you would be feeling any good with that fever" he frowned deeply, in all the time he had taken care of Sakura not once had she gotten sick, so what was going on, he thought back through their morning and finally figured it out.

She had been fine this morning but the only reason she'd be sick now is if she'd eaten something bad, Obito noticed something wrong when Shisui raced through the kitchen looking for their stock of medicine, the pinkette that terrorized him now looked extremely pale.

"Damn it" Shisui cursed softly so that Sakura didn't pick up on his language and start repeating every thing he said "I'm heading to the hospital, I think Sakura-chan is sick" he said cradling Sakura closer and preparing to body flicker to the middle of town.

Rin jumped from her seat "Wait, I am a medic you know" she said gesturing to herself, Shisui settled his onyx eyes on her and they filled with relief "Don't worry Shisui-san, I'll make Sakura-san all better" she assured him taking the pinkette into her arms.

By now silent tears were streaming down Sakura's cheeks as her stomach rolled uncomfortably "Hang on little one" Rin smiled calmly running a soothing green hand across her body, the pain in her stomach went away and her skin returned to it's normal color.

"I would suggest having her take this with whatever it is she drinks during the night" Rin handed Sakura back over to Shisui along with some crushed herbs "Just sprinkle it in" she shrugged not finding a better way to explain.

Shisui slumped to the ground and clutched Sakura to him "Thank kami you're alright" he sighed in relief the pinkette blinked her large green eyes dazedly before clasping Shisui's shirt in her hand refusing to let go.

"Sui-kun love" Sakura murmured burying her face in his neck and letting him remove the last traces of her pain, she knew she was safe in this boys arms no matter what, Shisui returned her affection with a kiss to her hair.

Obito watched all this with a frown, he hadn't realized that Shisui actually cared for the girl to an obsessive degree and so before Shisui could stop him "She's really a princess then and it wasn't just some crap you and Fugaku-san made up to get me to be nice to her" he scratched his head.

Shisui blanched and his face went white "Obito" he breathed angrily rising to his feet Sakura cuddled in his arms, her breathing even again "Sometimes cousin you really need to learn how to shut you're mouth" Shisui hissed storming from the kitchen.

The three teens left in the kitchen watched him go before Kakashi turned his attention on Obito "What the hell are you talking about, that little girl is a princess, like I believe that idiot" he snorted and got a wince from Obito.

Eyes shifting back and forth between her two male teammates, Rin saw the expected blow up but could do nothing to stop it as Obito laid into Kakashi "Of course she's a damn princess, and you better not go around telling anyone either, she's undercover or whatever that means" he flopped down in his chair with a groan.

"Point taken" Kakashi said duly "Come on Rin, I think we've intruded enough" he grimaced behind his mask and together he and Rin left the Uchiha compound heading to their separate homes to think about all they had learned that day.

It took a solid week of Obito begging on his hands and knee's for Shisui to accept his apology "Just don't do it again" the boy warned and Obito nodded his head rapidly, he didn't like the silent treatment anymore than anyone else did.

The rest of the week passed by and soon Sakura was returned to her parents, the pinkette pinched Shisui's cheek as always before she was toted off in her fathers arms this time back to their home across town to rest up.

8. Little Princess's Adventure

The next month flew by and before Shisui knew it, it was time for him to watch after Sakura for two weeks again, only this time he had a bit of a problem, the day before the Hokage had called him to his office where Jiraiya was waiting.

"This the one Minato" the sage had asked running beady onyx eyes along Shisui's body as if assessing his physical prowess, like a good ninja Shisui had stood there hands clasped behind his back, spine straightened and most of all silent.

Minato let out a sigh and ran his hand through his blonde locks "Yes Jiraiya-sensei this is Shisui Uchiha one of the best Jonin in the village besides Kakashi" he finally said blue eyes focused on the boy as if waiting for his reaction.

"He's perfect" Jiraiya nodded decisively "Listen good Uchiha boy, you and I along with Kakashi Hatake will be going on a mission tomorrow for three weeks..." before the sage could get out anymore Shisui's mask of silence broke and he could no longer remain silent.

"But Lord Hokage, I'm due to watch Sakura-chan tomorrow" Shisui let out in a long suffering sigh, he most certainly didn't just whine, ninja's didn't whine like children after all, Minato pressed his lips together and amusement filled his blue eyes.

"Ah it seems I have forgotten, perhaps the little lady's parents wouldn't mind letting her tag along with you for the extra week" the blonde suggested and Shisui's eyes widened, Minato frowned "Or is that not a good idea" he sighed feeling cornered.

Jiraiya mimicked the blondes actions and frowned, he hadn't the foggiest idea what was going on "Someone mind cluing me in on as to who Sakura is" he asked looking between the Uchiha and Minato as they had a staring contest, finally Minato sighed.

"Does Shisui necessarily have to go on this mission with you Jiraiya-sensei" Minato pulled his eyes from Shisui and rested them on the white haired male, judging by his indignant expression, yes Shisui did have to go on the mission.

Feeling the oncoming headache Minato rubbed his temples and pinched the bridge of his nose to relieve some of the pressure "Okay there is only one way to handle this little problem, Genma send this message to Mebuki and Kizashi Haruno" he ordered scribbling a short message and handing it over to the teen boy that was one of his personal guard.

Several minutes ticked by as the trio in the office waited before Genma appeared alone "I'm sorry Lord Hokage, but none of them were home, there was a note though it said they'd gotten permission from you the day before to spend the day outside the village" he panted lightly hands on his knee's.

That headache came back full force as Minato idly remembered giving the Haruno's permission to leave for the day and go wherever "Alright everyone out of my office this will be dealt with tomorrow" he slapped his hand on his desk sending his shinobi and sensei scrambling.

Shisui grimaced that had all happened yesterday, so now he was on his way to send the Haruno's to Minato's office so that they could all agree on something, Mebuki sighed when she spotted Shisui speeding towards them a trail of dust kicking up after him.

She paused in her movement of lifting Sakura when she spotted the resigned expression on the boys face "Shisui-san is everything okay" she asked in concern, due to her daughter being so close to the boy they meaning she and Kizashi got to know Shisui on an extremely personal level.

"Not exactly, Lord Hokage wants to see you in his office before you and Lord Haruno leave for your business trip" Shisui hunched his shoulders and flashed the Haruno leaders a tight lipped smile, he just knew that the meeting wasn't going to go over well.

Kizashi frowned and stroked his chin wondering what had Shisui so obviously upset this morning "Very well, we do have some time we are due to leave" he nodded in acquiesce and gestured for Shisui to lead the way, the boy did so with a sigh of resignation.

Minato looked up when Shisui trudged into his office followed by Mebuki holding Sakura, Kizashi and Jiraiya "Good you're all here, now let's get down to business" he clasped his hands before him leveling his sensei a look to make sure the man wouldn't open his mouth and make things worse.

Suddenly Kakashi slunk into the office and stood against the wall silently making the office more crowded, thankfully Sakura was still asleep or it would just a nightmare all over "Lord Hokage why is it you have called us in here" Kizashi stepped forward wanting to get to the bottom of all this awkwardness.

Minato's eyes flitted downwards and watched Shisui rub his eyes looking tired for a boy his age "There's no point in dragging this out so I'm just going to be blunt with you, Shisui has to go on a mission for three weeks today" he looked at the Haruno's again tensed in preparation of their reaction.

Mebuki's face twitched feeling the urge to bash someone's skull in, but she tamped the urge down and breathed deeply pressing herself into Kizashi's side to inhale some of his masculine scent, it was the only thing that stopped her inner self's violent tendencies.

"What" Kizashi said numbly in shock, that's what all this was about "And what is the rank of this mission" he questioned figuring out what it was the Hokage had in mind and not finding it to terribly upsetting, all this trouble over a simple request.

Eyes looking down at the scroll that held the mission details, Minato skimmed it for a moment and found what he was looking for "D rank, it could turn into a C rank" he explained in a slightly warning tone and Kizashi stepped back.

"And just what are you getting at" Mebuki having had enough of all the pauses and silence snapped hotly some of her anger from her inner self leaking into her words, Minato's eyes flew to hers and grew wide and wary.

The blonde cleared his throat and sent Jiraiya another look when the man started shifting uncomfortably "I was thinking that maybe if you didn't mind that is if Shisui would be allowed to take Sakura along on this three week mission" Minato breathed out before holding his breath.

Mebuki blinked before laughing softly "That's the problem, all of this awkwardness, oh Shisui-san why didn't you just ask us we would have said yes because it's you" she pinched his cheek as she had seen her daughter do many times and the boy turned a bright cherry red in embarrassment.

Scuffing his shoe "I'm sorry Haruno-san, I was unsure because something like this has never happened before" he looked at the blonde woman regret clear in his eyes, if he had another choice he wouldn't be going on the mission period and everyone knew it.

"Silly boy" Mebuki smiled warmly at Shisui and settled Sakura into his arms "Just take good care of her that's all we ask, and now without further ado, Kizashi and I really must be on our way" the two Haruno's bowed and soon they were out of the office.

Shisui cradled Sakura against his chest holding her closely, "Just wait Master Jiraiya, so that I can tell my cousin and gather some things for Sakura-chan" he halted the white haired man's urgent footsteps and body flickered from the Hokage's office.

Obito gave a start when Shisui appeared in the kitchen of their living space and then a pout came to his lips upon realizing that today was the start of his two week torment, then he glanced to the pinkette and found her still sleeping.

"You don't have to worry this time Obito, Sakura and I are going out on a mission together for the entirety of the two weeks I'm watching her and an extra week as well" Shisui chuckled seeing the relief upon his cousins face and finished packing his and Sakura's belongings.

Before Obito could respond, Shisui and Sakura was gone most likely to the gates, Kakashi raised his head from his book as the Uchiha appeared before him "Ah" he greeted and Shisui settled his ebony gaze onto himself.

"Hello Kakashi-san" Shisui replied a moment later as Jiraiya came skidding around the corner a gaggle of women hot on his heels, the white haired man streaked past the two younger yelling over his shoulder to get their butts in gear.

Both boys shared a smile of amusement as Shisui situated Sakura onto his back in the carrier so that in the case they ran into any trouble on the road it would be easier for him to deal with the problem, thankfully Sakura was still sleeping.

"How's the little princess today" Kakashi asked as they sped down the dirt path after their older mission companion, Shisui turned his head and eyed him "Don't worry haven't told anyone else" Kakashi assured the protective Uchiha.

"Sakura-chan is still sleeping, sometimes she wakes early sometimes she doesn't" Shisui shrugged carefully, they finally caught up with Jiraiya who had slowed down significantly as they got further away from their village.

Hearing the tail end of the conversation, Jiraiya looked down at the two younger boys, to be specific the one carrying the three year old pink haired girl "So you and Minato never explained exactly who she is so want to tell me now why she has to come on this mission" he pouted.

Behind his mask Kakashi grimaced, his sensei's, sensei was a bit on the barmy side and extremely perverted, to be honest he didn't even know how Minato-sensei had handled training underneath the white haired toad sage.

"This is Sakura Haruno, I've been tasked with watching her and for two weeks out of the month I watch over her the entirety of that

time, that's all I'm saying Master Jiraiya" Shisui commented before his sensitive ears picked up on Sakura's shifting.

Just before she came awake completely, Shisui sneakily situated the sling across his chest so that the first thing her eyes were to see was him, the breath taking smile that spread across Sakura's lips brought a smile to his own just before she reached up with her little fingers and gently pinched his cheek in greeting.

"Sui-kun" Sakura squealed drawing a soft chuckle from Kakashi, her emerald eyes shifted to the side and the boy got closer for her to see him, her lips turned down in a frown and Shisui saw this not quite sure how she was about to react.

A moment later Shisui recognized her expression, Sakura didn't remember Kakashi because the day she had met him was when she had been sick "Ah Sakura-chan" he murmured drawing her attention onto himself "This is Kakashi-san" Shisui introduced her.

"Kaka-kun" the pinkette clapped her hands gleefully, drawing another chuckle from Kakashi and a pout from Jiraiya, he huffed grumpily and Sakura looked to him before her lips pulled down in another frown and Shisui snickered.

"That's Master Jiraiya" he prompted and Sakura blinked her emerald eyes in confusion, when the pinkette remained silent not giving the white haired male a nickname like she had with just about everyone else, Jiraiya crossed his arms and pouted further.

It was also about this time that Sakura realized that they weren't in the village any longer and she wiggled to sit up in Shisui's arms to peer around "Sui-kun pretty" she gave a wide smile upon seeing all the different surroundings.

"Yes, it's very pretty isn't it Sakura-chan" Shisui grinned as her attention stayed focus on their surroundings as they walked at a moderately fast pace to wherever they were going "Master Jiraiya where is this mission anyway" he cleared his throat sheepishly as he finally asked for the mission details.

Jiraiya's white brows shot to his hairline as he realized that he hadn't briefed either of his chosen mission companions on the mission itself "My old students from the rain village three orphans are having a bit of trouble and I offered to come help them out" he shrugged simply.

Black brow twitching in silent irritation, Shisui puffed up his cheek angrily, he could have just stayed home after all Jiraiya was just a loon and a pervert if the scene before they left the village was any clue to his true personality.

Sakura didn't like this at all and so reached up and sharply pinched Shisui's puffed up cheek her forehead creased into a frown and her lower lip wobbling, she couldn't stand it when her Sui-kun was angry and it showed in her actions and expressions.

Ebony eyes shot down to stare at his charge with an incredulous expression on his face, "Sorry Sakura-chan" Shisui finally said, the pinkette satisfied that he was no longer upset about something turned her head back to stare at the scenery as they walked by it.

Four days later the quartet arrived at the Rain Village gates, Jiraiya stood waiting and finally his red haired student appeared "Jiraiya-sensei" Nagato greeted inclining his head politely before doing the same with the two others, he about turned when he spotted the bundle on one of the boys back.

Purple ringed eyes blinking in confusion Nagato cast a look at his sensei "I didn't realize you would be bringing along a child, this mission could get pretty difficult" he rubbed his throat as he coughed out sheepishly, the situation had taken a turn for the worse after all.

Shoulder's tensing at the implied words, Shisui straightened his spine and spoke in a clear voice "You don't have to worry sir, Sakura-chan here won't get in the way and I'm more than capable of defending myself and her at the same time" he assured easily bouncing the pinkette and getting a giggle.

"Trust me the boy is more than capable, we ran into a little problem along the way a bandit tried to rob us and take off with the girl, but Shisui moved so fast and well needless to say that man is now dead" Jiraiya shuddered in remembrance.

A smug smile worked it's way across Shisui's lips, people needed to learn to fear him, he was like a mama bear over Sakura, she was his cub and the person who touched her would be damned to live out the rest of his days in hell.

Kakashi's lone onyx eye shifted to the side and behind his mask his face twisted in an uneasy frown, apparently Shisui was one heck of a fighter, a shiver of fear ran down his spine as they followed after the red head and moved through the rain village at a slow pace.

Finally the five made it to the place the Akatsuki had been using as their base "Yahiko and Konan should be waiting in one of the rooms" Nagato mumbled to himself as he tried to remember exactly where his two friends said they would be when he returned.

Shisui sighed if they didn't hurry Sakura was going to get fussy, her stomach was already rumbling with hunger and it was only a matter of time before she started screaming "I know Sakura-chan, just be patient a moment longer" he bounced her again but this time her face twisted in obvious upset.

Nagato whirled around when an angry shrill scream pierced the air and his eyes narrowed on the pinkette in Shisui's, as he had been introduced as earlier, arms, Shisui lowered his head and tried to get the little girl to calm down and wait just a bit longer.

It was obvious his attempts weren't working, so seeing as it was the logical thing to do, Nagato swung around and sped down the halls the three leaf shinobi and the crying girl hot on his heels, he finally found Yahiko and Konan.

Konan's amber eyes swiveled upwards as a boy carrying a screaming little pink haired girl came through the door after Nagato and sat down digging through his pack for a scroll and hurriedly opening it to begin feeding the pinkette.

Wails fading, Jiraiya sighed in relief, at least he thought idly that Shisui really did seem to know what he was doing and what it was the pinkette wanted at certain times "How long have you been watching her" he questioned when it was obvious no one else would speak up.

Shisui started in surprise and his onyx eyes lifted to meet with onyx eyes "Well Sakura-chan is three now and I've known since she was nine months old so two years and three months, it wasn't until she was two that I really started watching her like this" he explained stuffing a bit of eggs in Sakura's mouth when it opened for another spoonful.

A soft whistle came from Yahiko and Shisui winced as Sakura abandoned eating for a moment to look around, her attention wasn't focused on the orange haired man like Shisui thought it would be but instead on the blue haired woman and the paper flower in the woman's hair.

"Pretty flower, pretty flower" Sakura clapped her hands joyfully before reaching for the woman, Konan however smiled uneasily having never really dealt with children until just now so she was unsure what the little girl wanted.

Seeing this Shisui opened his mouth "Sakura-chan loves flowers, she likes the paper flower you've got in you're hair" he supplied, Konan's amber eyes filled with understanding and she finally bent to scoop the pinkette into her arms.

Predictably, Sakura reached up and patted the paper flower with a gentle hand oohing and awing over it, fascination satisfied, Sakura wiggled and Shisui took her into his arms again to finish feeding her the eggs he had stored in a storage scroll.

Once her belly was full, Shisui sealed away the remainder and pushed the scroll back into his pack before gathering Sakura into his arms and situating her in the sling, seeing this Jiraiya stepped forward "Well Yahiko, Konan, Nagato let's get down to business" he stated turning serious for the moment.

A plan was hashed out and the group headed outside to begin, but it all came to a stop when Konan realized that Shisui was intending on taking Sakura along with them "Why don't you leave her here, I'm sure someone wouldn't mind watching her" she said patting his shoulder gently with a kind smile.

Shisui shrugged her hand from his shoulder and stepped away "Sorry but Sakura-chan has to stick with me I'm her gua...babysitter and it's my responsibility, thank you for worrying but she'll be fine and I can handle myself" he flashed her a smile before catching up with Kakashi.

Hand still raised in mid air, Konan cursed softly cheeks growing hot as anger passed through her, she breathed deeply getting a handle on her temper before spinning on her heels and speeding in the opposite direction Yahiko trailing after her.

Kakashi glanced to the side at his assigned partner "Are you sure it's wise to bring her into the fight, it will be much more than just one bandit this time, we are going to be dealing with ninja" he said

smoothly though his voice belied the worry he felt over the little pinkette.

"Don't worry Kakashi-san, I won't let a thing happen to Sakura-chan" Shisui murmured situating Sakura onto his back in her sling so that she could watch the surroundings, she was low on his back so he had enough room to move around or swing his sword without hurting her.

"Well you still have me and I won't let anything happen to the little princess either" Kakashi vowed softly, he could deny it all he liked around his friends and acquaintances, but that first day meeting Sakura the little girl had grown on him, it was only because she drove Obito absolutely insane, but still.

Shock sped straight into his eyes and Shisui looked up at Kakashi, the silver haired teen shrugged but didn't elaborate further on what had made him promise such a thing "Thank you Kakashi-san" Shisui said after several long moments and got an eye crinkle in return.

Two hours later after searching the downtown area of the Rain Village for their targets, both Shisui and Kakashi came up empty "We should find the others and get some more details" Kakashi suggested as they headed in the direction they felt Nagato's chakra.

"Good idea" Shisui replied, for the last twenty minutes he had felt in the pit of his stomach that something was about to happen, then he realized "Wait a second wasn't Master Jiraiya supposed to be with Nagato-san" he breathed out.

Chest tightening in panic Kakashi gave a jerky nod before speeding up exponentially "Nagato-san" he called drawing the red heads attention, his purple ringed eyes widened in relief and he hurried his pace over to them.

"Thank kami the three of you are alright, Jiraiya-sensei just disappeared and when I went looking for Yahiko and Konan they were just gone as well" Nagato rushed out hoping the two boys would come up with a plan to get their comrades back.

Shisui clicked his tongue in irritation "I need to get high up.." he paused as a reluctant look settled into his eyes "Kakashi-san would you hold Sakura-chan" Shisui looked to the silver haired teen onyx eyes begging with the lone one of Kakashi's to do as he requested.

Shocked and a little eager to hold the pinkette Kakashi quickly nodded and Sakura was passed over to him, she was sleeping soundly in the sling, he had just enough time to look up and watch Shisui use the teleportation jutsu and disappear before their eyes.

Atop the highest building in the rain village, Shisui activated his sharingan and scoped out the entire village looking for their missing comrades chakra, he found it in the downtown area he and Kakashi had searched thoroughly.

Ten minutes after Shisui had left he returned and Nagato blinked his eyes as the boy quickly took the toddler into his arms again situating her comfortably to rest across his chest in her sling "I found them" Shisui commented a moment later once Sakura was just

right.

"People should learn to never underestimate the Uchiha" Shisui grumbled as they trudged through the muddy street's back in the direction he and Kakashi had originally come from, by his side Kakashi shivered slightly and threw Shisui a look.

The tone in which Shisui was using to grumble was full of bad intentions for whoever it was that was messing with them, Kakashi sighed, this mission was proving to be quite interesting for sure but still maybe it had been better if it had only been himself and Jiraiya on the mission.

Before the four of them went into the building Shisui strapped Sakura across his back making sure her sling was secured tightly before grasping the hilt of his blade, his shoulders were tight with tension and his sharingan blazed to life as he nodded and Nagato blew up the door with a paper bomb.

This startled Sakura awake "Don't worry Sakura-chan everything is alright" Shisui assured her in a deep voice, calming instantly upon hearing Shisui's familiar tone, Sakura relaxed unworried, she knew that nothing would happen Shisui would make sure of that.

Amber eyes widened as the boy with the toddler attached to his back, Shisui her mind supplied streaked through the blasted open door and took down one of the seven enemy in the room with a simple swing of his tantou sword.

Nagato and Kakashi followed and soon the enemy that had captured herself, Yahiko and Jiraiya by surprise at that, were killed off, the little pink haired girl giggling happily as Shisui situated her sling across his chest so that she could see that he was alright.

"Everything's okay now princess" Shisui whispered so softly so that the only one who could hear the slip up was Sakura herself, the pinkette clapped her hands and pinched his cheek with her still slightly chubby fingers "I promised" he murmured pressing a kiss to her forehead as he had seen her parents do all the time.

"Sui-kun love" Sakura stated seriously eyelids drooping in tiredness, her nap had been interrupted after all, Shisui's onyx eyes sparkled and he returned the sentiment just before her eyes drifted close and she fell into another restful sleep.

When her bindings were loosened, Konan stood up rubbing her wrists to soothe away the aches "Why are you so protective over her, she obviously is of no relation to you" she questioned settling her amber eyes on Shisui.

Shisui turned around to face the blue haired woman feeling slightly offended "I told you I'm her babysitter, it's my job to watch over Sakura-chan no matter what" he huffed glad Sakura wasn't awake at the moment or he was sure to get another sharp pinch to his cheek.

"I don't mean to question, it's just you're protective proclamations are a little over the top for being just a babysitter" Konan raised a brow in Shisui's direction, she was determined to catch the boy in a lie and drag the truth from him no matter how hard it is.

Onyx eyes narrowing and brows furrowing, Shisui settled his features into a stoic mask, one he had seen his uncle wear many times when he didn't want anyone to find out what it was up to, though most often times Mikoto found out anyway.

"That's not something I can tell you" he said simply before turning on his heel and stalking from the house, it wasn't his job to clean up the bodies this time and he was feeling much to irritated at the moment to even think about helping.

Yahiko snapped his head in Konan's direction when the woman stomped her foot, face morphed into an expression of fury and shuddered, he had no idea what had happened but he wasn't willing to find out and have Konan's anger directed onto himself, the bluenette was quite vindictive.

Nagato however watched Shisui leave before he looked around the room with his purple ringed eyes, seeing how Jiraiya and Kakashi had everything figured out, Nagato sneaked through the door and followed after Shisui "Sorry about my friend" he offered apologetically.

"It's alright but there are certain things I can't tell anyone about Sakura-chan here, it's forbidden after all" Shisui said looking to the older male "All I can reveal is that I was tasked with watching her and that's what I'll do for as long as I live" he supplied in the awkwardness that followed.

A day later, mission completed much sooner than any of them had anticipated, the leaf shinobi left the Hidden Rain Village and headed back home by the time they reached the Leaf Village there was only a few days left of Shisui watching Sakura so he headed to the Uchiha compound.

Obito's head snapped up from where he had rested it on the kitchen table, he got excited maybe Rin had decided to come visit, his hopes were dashed as his cousin and that pink haired terror came around the corner and into the kitchen.

"You're back already" he said crossing his arms over his chest pouting, he had been so happy to hear he wouldn't have to deal with having Sakura there for the two weeks Shisui was tasked with watching Sakura twenty four seven.

"Yeah, they weren't all that strong" Shisui grinned just knowing what his cousin was already thinking about his presence and especially Sakura's presence "Don't worry she'll only be here for a few days then she'll go back to her parents" he assured Obito.

Feeling slightly guilty Obito slumped his shoulders "Sorry" he frowned before heading for his room, Shisui blinked before looking down into wide emerald eyes a giggle escaped from Sakura and brought a smile to his face in her happiness.

The next few days passed by relatively easily, Sakura being nice to Obito for once, the older Uchiha finally warming up to his charge and finally Shisui took Sakura back to her parents when he felt them entering the leaf village.

9. Academy Day's for Princess

After that adventure, three years passed and Sakura grew into an exuberant six year old, three day's after her birthday, Kizashi decided that it was time and daughter in arms and Shisui trailing behind he enrolled the pinkette into the academy.

On the morning of her first day, Sakura pouted until Shisui showed up "What's the matter Princess" Shisui asked his dark eyes taking in the sight of her down turned lips and tear's gathered in her usually bright emerald eyes.

"Don't want to go to the academy" Sakura stopped her foot throwing a temper tantrum, Mebuki cringed and Kizashi let out world weary sigh as she jumped up and down long silky pink tresses flying about unbound for the moment.

Shisui however had a different reaction and patiently waited for his charge to stop throwing her fit, once Sakura had finished and plopped down on her butt before him, Shisui crouched down and brushed her angry tears away.

"I know Princess, it's scary but think about it Naruto-san and Shino-san will be there as well" Shisui murmured to the upset pinkette, though the minute he said the name of her only two friends at the moment, her anger faded and was replaced with her usual exuberance.

Reluctance disappearing Sakura jumped up and wrapped her arms around Shisui's neck "Naru-kun and Shino-kun will be there, you're certain Sui-kun" she jutted out her lip, she just had to be sure, Shisui nodded and Sakura squealed loudly in the Uchiha's ear.

"Now let's see if I can't do something with that hair of yours" Mebuki flashed Shisui a grateful smile then took the six year old into her arms and sitting her on the couch so that her shiny pink hair could be put in some kind of hair do so that it wouldn't get in the way during the day.

Sakura felt up the back of her head curiously and her eyes widened in awe as she realized that the hairdo her mother had done on her hair had made it extremely short "Thank you Mama" she gave the woman a pretty smile and hugged her leg.

Kizashi smiled and pressed his hand to Sakura's head being careful not to mess up the braided hair "Now you be good for you're sensei and don't cause him any trouble" he warned crouching down to be eye level with the tiny pinkette.

Shisui smiled as he watched his charge interact with her parents, it was always something to see, she loved them more than life itself, but Sakura's favorite thing remained as always flowers, why he didn't know but at least she didn't cause trouble whenever she was around flowers.

"Love you Mama, Love you Papa" Sakura waved as she latched onto Shisui "Ready now" she asked looking into his onyx eyes, Shisui saluted her parents and led her down the stairs of her house and into the vast village on a straight path to the academy.

"Princess" Shisui tilted his head down to Sakura when she started sulking, "Is something the matter" he crouched down as tears filled her eyes once again, only this time he had no idea what the problem was at least until she told him which he was certain she would.

"Won't get to see you all the time now" Sakura sniffled softly lower lip wobbling as the tears dribbled down her cherubic cheeks and onto the cobblestone streets, she had been with this boy everyday of her life since she was one and it hurt to be parted from him.

At that Shisui's onyx eyes filled with understanding "Don't worry so much Sakura-chan, we've come up with a plan, and to ensure that I'm still with you unless I have a mission, Lord and Lady Haruno have decided to let me explain to you're sensei you're true origins" he explained putting Sakura's fears to rest easily.

Fears put to rest, Sakura scrubbed at her eyes to get rid of the rest of her unwanted tears until her arm was grasped gently and pulled away from her face "You shouldn't rub at them like that Sakura-chan, you could end up getting something in your eyes" Shisui scolded softly.

"K, I understand Sui-kun" Sakura blinked and Shisui let her arm go so that it rested at her side, he stood and she grasped onto his hand instead as they started walking again "What's the academy like" Sakura asked as they got closer to the building.

Shisui chuckled having expected such a question "Well it's where you learn the ninja trade, you have lessons on all kinds of different things, math and history to name a few to broaden you're intelligence" he started making sure Sakura was listening and she was.

"Then as you get into the year, you'll learn a few academy jutsu's like the clone jutsu or the escape jutsu, also there's weapon training and stamina training where you run around a track a certain amount of times" Shisui continued and Sakura was irrevocably lost in his explanation.

He wasn't done though "And as you go from year to year, you'll learn the theory of jutsu application and all the shinobi rules, then there's genjutsu and chakra control but those are in the later years along with kunoichi classes and learning all about the properties of flowers" Shisui finished for effect.

Sakura's emerald eyes were wide as the knowledge Shisui had just imparted on her was absorbed "I can't wait" she squealed leaping forward and doing a little spin causing Shisui to chuckle softly at her eagerness now that her initial reluctance had passed.

Soon enough they reached the academy gates and Sakura jumped back to Shisui's side clutching onto his hand again "Don't worry Sakura-chan, everything will be fine" he assured her, no matter what it was his job to make sure the pinkette was happy in the academy.

If things didn't work out and Sakura ended up unhappy with the arrangement her parents were going to search for personal instructors for the pinkette and when it was time for her to graduate she would

come to the academy and go through the testing.

Shisui was hopeful though that since Naruto and Shino were in the academy as well that Sakura would be fine, he was counting on it in fact, that way in the case he was called away on a sudden mission Sakura wouldn't be left alone.

Iruka looked down at the pink haired girl that was one of his newest academy students from the new batch of six year old's and then to the dark haired Uchiha that had graduated several years ago "Shisui-san" he greeted kindly.

"Hello Iruka-sensei, this is Sakura-chan, before the others get here there are somethings I need to tell you about, Sakura-chan say hello to you're sensei" Shisui nodded politely at Iruka then gently ordered Sakura to greet the older man.

Sakura huddled into Shisui's side feeling shy all of a sudden and wiggled her fingers at him in greeting "Hello Iruka-sensei" she greeted in a soft voice, her usual exuberance deserting her at the moment, Shisui chuckled and she pouted at him.

"Why don't you go explore the classroom Sakura-chan" Shisui gestured and the girl took off to the far end of the classroom, then he turned his dark onyx eyes on Iruka "There's no reason to drag this out, simply put Sakura-chan is a princess, she's true royalty" he stated bluntly to the brunette male.

"I'm her guard and her parents want me to watch over her while she's in the academy" Shisui finished crossing his arms and casting a furtive look over his shoulder at the pinkette that was staring out the window and watching as all the other children converged on the academy to begin their lessons.

Iruka floundered for a moment and his grip loosened on his clipboard, he hadn't expected something of that degree to happen when he had first woken up that morning "Okay" he said "Just stand along the wall or sit next to Haruno-san" Iruka coughed feeling awkward.

Shisui sighed "Don't worry Iruka-sensei, I promise I'm not here to cause any trouble, I'm here for Sakura-chan and that's it" he assured the man before turning to face Sakura who had finished her exploration of her classroom.

"Are we going to sit now Shisui-kun" Sakura asked latching onto the older boy again and got a smile at her antics, Shisui nodded and she led him to her chosen seat, but when the dark haired boy sat close to her she turned and in a slightly angry voice.

"That spots for Naruto-kun, and this ones for Shino-kun" Sakura gestured at either side and Shisui blinked his ebony eyes at her before letting out a laugh patting her head gently and then moving to the side so that Shino or Naruto would have room to sit.

The true fun began as Sakura's classmates started filing into the classroom, the pinkette jumped up when she spotted her two friends "Shino-kun, Naru-kun" she screeched softly wrapping her arms around both boys and then tugging them back to her chosen seats.

"Sakura-chan" Naruto was exuberant in his greeting of the pinkette while Shino merely hid his face behind his high collared jacket, during the years the three of them had played together on more than one occasion so the blonde and pinkette were use to this.

Sakura thought knew exactly what to say to get the Aburame heir talking "Bug cool" she repeated the words she had told him several times over the years and the floodgates opened and Shino gave her the greeting she desired.

"Hello Sakura-san" Shino grumbled before facing forward in his seat and blinking his dark brown eyes behind his sunglasses, at least he wouldn't be without friends, and then things got even more interesting as a little purple haired girl sat in the row below them and turned around spotting Sakura.

"I didn't know there would a pink haired big fore-headed weirdo" Ami Himekari stated casually expecting her words to generate a reaction in said girl, but in true princess fashion Sakura stuck up her nose and completely ignored Ami not giving the purple haired girl the time of day.

Beside Shino, Shisui covered his mouth with a hand and inwardly howled with laughter, that was Sakura in a nutshell, she couldn't stand it when people picked on her about her pink hair or larger than life forehead and she usually ignored them except when it was Obito, then she retaliated.

Naruto shot his pink haired friend a look as she sniffed delicately resolutely ignoring the girl that had just insulted her and called her a mean name, but if Sakura wasn't bothered then he wouldn't be either at least she wasn't letting the words get to her.

Shino blinked his dark brown eyes before frowning, he felt unsettled for some reason, he wasn't sure if what just a reaction to the purple haired girls words or what but he definitely didn't like it that Sakura was the one getting insulted and not him as usual.

Iruka sighed "Alright settle down class, now when I call you're name raise her hand and say here" he ordered going down the list of academy students before he finally got to "Uzumaki, Naruto" Iruka stated looking up.

In true Uzumaki fashion the blonde jumped onto his desk waving his arm madly in the air "HERE, I'M NARUTO UZUMAKI AND I'M GOING TO BE HOKAGE SOMEDAY" he ranted causing several of his classmates to giggle or snicker at him.

Iruka blinked "Thank you now would you please take you're seat" he coughed and Naruto sat down next to Sakura again, with that he finished off roll call before starting up with the first lesson of the day, this continued all the way up to lunch.

Shisui stretched and stood waiting for Sakura to file out from the seat "Ready for lunch Sakura-chan" he asked preparing to body flicker with the girl and take her wherever since she hadn't been given a lunch that morning since both of her parents were leaving on the two week trip.

"Uh huh Sui-kun" Sakura smiled somewhat tiredly, she wasn't use to

sitting in the same spot all day long, she was about to latch onto the boy when that purple haired girl slid between herself and Shisui and Sakura's cheeks puffed up angrily.

"Nobody dares ignore the great Ami Himekari you little pink haired weirdo, now get the hell out of this classroom" Ami pointed at the door expecting the pinkette to do as she said, but what she didn't expect was for the boy behind her to grasp her shoulder and move her out of the way.

Sakura's eyes widened and she leaned back as Shisui faced her tormentor at the moment "Now listen well little girl, Sakura-chan has just as much right as you do to be in this classroom, and she can ignore you all she wants" he leaned over to peer into her eyes.

Ami froze not having expected someone to come to the pinkette's rescue, she stuttered and fumbled before huffing and storming off her friends from the playground trailing after her as they headed for lunch, she was certain that she would catch the pinkette by herself at some point.

And when she did that's when Sakura would be sent home in tears, Ami would make sure of it, what she didn't know was that the little boy that had confronted her just now would never let her make Sakura cry but that was for a later time.

"Now Sakura-chan where would you like to go, you're wish is my command" Shisui bowed low, he had seen the wariness in those emerald orbs, that wasn't his intention to make Sakura afraid of him, he had only wanted to talk to that little girl and intimidate her a little bit.

Sakura gave a start "Oh um well Sui-kun I don't know" she stated lamely after a moment she usually had lunch made for her so she didn't know any of the restaurants around town to go to, thankfully Shisui did and that's what counted.

"Very well then Sakura-chan, how about curry and dango" Shisui suggested and like he thought Sakura's face lit up before she peered at him curiously, he realized just then that in his protectiveness over her his sharingan had activated.

Her emerald eyes stared into those bloody red pinwheels until she reached up and traced around Shisui's eye, they were scary, Sakura shuddered at the thought "Can the curry have veggies" she asked when the red receded to reveal that ebony she was so familiar with.

"Of course Princess" Shisui murmured in a low voice for her ears only and softened his eyes to make Sakura feel a little more at ease, he had just remembered that it was her first time seeing his sharingan so he was certain she was little freaked out.

After lunch, the duo headed back to the academy and the rest of the day was finished without further incident "Where to now Sui-kun" Sakura questioned as she skipped alongside the boy as they walked through the village.

"Well you're parents are off on their trip so it's to the Uchiha compound for us" Shisui explained hoping that Sakura wouldn't be to put out, he breathed in relief as she smiled a mischievous smile "You

thinking what I'm thinking Sakura-chan" he whispered through snickers.

"Uh huh, want to tease Obi-kun" Sakura said in a tone filled with mischievous intent, her emerald eyes lit up and her head most likely filled with all the little pranks she could pull on the teenage boy all while knowing she would get away with them.

"Though not to bad, Obi-kun okay" she stated a moment later, she remembered his dislike of her in her younger days and the older boy had finally warmed up to her, the bottom line of it all was Sakura didn't want Obito to go back to not liking her because she pulled one to many pranks on him.

Shisui grinned behind his hand, "Of course Sakura-chan, we won't tease Obito-kun to bad" he replied to her warning, he didn't want to get pinched after all, as Sakura grew the force of her pinch had become strong and she now no longer did it unless she thought he was ignoring her.

And that's how Sakura spent her first two weeks as an academy student, learning all she could about being a ninja, sticking to Shisui's side like glue, hanging out with her friends during lunch avoiding Ami Himekari and above all pulling a few pranks on Obito here and there to get her fun in.

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